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IPA FRANCE - FRIENDSHIP WEEK 70TH ANNIVERSARY

From 10 to 18 June 2023, the IPA France Friendship Week took place in the company of IPA members from France and several other countries, including Armenia, Germany, Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Kuwait, Switzerland and the USA.

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<u>Stephen Crockard, Head of Administration</u>
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WORD OF INTRODUCTION - DEMETRIS DEMETRIOU

The prevalence of human trafficking and the need for a more proactive approach

Dear friends and colleagues,

Transnational organised crime affects every single State (as a source, transit, or destination country) in the world irrespective of its social and economic background. This month's newsletter is dedicated to a particularly prevalent and problematic type of transnational organised crime. In particular, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight both the prevalence and the challenges posed by human trafficking and migrant smuggling to law enforcement agents around the world.

The technological advances made in the 1970s, along with the global push for cultural, economic and political integration resulted in the mass movement of goods, services and people across borders. Undeniably, these developments had a positive impact on many people's quality of life. At the same time, though, criminals were also able to adapt and exploit globalisation to maximise their profits, engaging in cross-board criminality. One of the most lucrative businesses for transnational organised criminal groups is human trafficking and migrant smuggling. As evidence suggests, up to four million people each year are victims of human trafficking, one of the fastest growing types of offending in the world, and the trade is worth an estimated \$7bn. Although this is a global phenomenon that affects almost every single country around the world, it is evident that this has disproportionately affected South-East Asia and former Soviet Union countries. As pointed out by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in its 2018 'Global Study on Smuggling of Migrants', in 2016 alone more than 2.5 million migrants where smuggled.

As pointed out in the *Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children* ('Protocol'), supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime, trafficking in persons covers a wide range of actions, such as the transportation of people; fraud; deception; the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability, the purpose of which is the exploitation of victims. The exploitation of victims can also take various forms including, amongst other, practices akin to slavery and the exploitation of the prostitution of others. The victims' 'consent' in these cases is irrelevant if the perpetrator(s) used any of the means outlined in Article 3(a) of the Protocol, such as in cases where the victim of trafficking was deceived as to the salary they were going to receive and/or the nature of the work offered to them.

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On most occasions, the 'problem' is hidden in plain sight. Victims of trafficking, due to their inherent vulnerable position, are often reluctant to come forward and report their exploitation from people who were supposed to offer them a better future. Their reluctance to report what happened it is often fuelled by misconceptions about law enforcement agencies' willingness to investigate and/or fear of retaliation by the traffickers.

It is for this reason that law enforcement agents should remain vigilant when coming in contact with individuals susceptible of human traffic paying particular attention to possible signs/indicators, such as their poor living conditions, that might suggest that someone has been the victim of human trafficking. It is, therefore, imperative not only to enhance cooperation between the law enforcement agents, but also to introduce those mechanisms that are necessary to encourage victims of trafficking to come forward whilst providing them with the required support needed to address the damage caused to them by human trafficking.

Best wishes,

Demetris Demetriou

Chairperson of the Professional Commission

IPA UK - NATIONAL GOLF COMPETITION

IPA UK invite you to the 2024 National Golf Competition Slaley Hall Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort in Northumberland from Tuesday 4th to Thursday 6th June 2024.

The competition will comprise a singles competition and a team competition.

The two 18-hole Championship courses have played host to over 20 European Tour, European Seniors Tour, PGA Cup and now Asian Tour events. Described as the 'Augusta of the North', the Hunting Course is among the finest Northumberland golf courses and should be on every golfer's bucket list.

More information can be found on the International Website: IPA - Upcoming Events (ipa-international.org)

The deadline for registration and deposit payment is **Friday 15**th **September 2023**.



IPA FRANCE - FRIENDSHIP WEEK 70 ANNIVERSARY

It was an extraordinary experience for all of us, participants and organisers alike. The event took place in two tourist departments: La Manche and Indre et Loire.

We met at the VVF in PORT BAIL:

A warm welcome from the members of IPA Normandie in the presence of a number of authorities, including the director of public security for the Manche department, opened a week rich in meetings, visits and fraternal moments.

After 4 days in this magnificent region, we headed for the Centre region.





IPA members from Indre et Loire welcomed the participants, who were then joined by IPA motorcyclists from Germany and Great Britain, accompanied by a few members of the IPA France Motorcycle Club. The VVF d'AMBOISE, located just a few metres from the Château Royal, was our place of residence during our stay in Touraine. It was ideally placed for us to discover some of the region's rich heritage.

For the weekend, we were joined by other members who had come to take part in IPA France's 70th anniversary celebrations.

We welcomed them with a "glass of friendship."

We would like to thank Franck (motorcyclist) and Vincent (national police sports federation) who ran a laser shooting range during the evening.

On Saturday 17 June, the IPA France anniversary evening was opened by Thierry Larrouy our President, surrounded by several members of the national board.

The Mayor of Amboise and Colonel ARS, head of the Indre et Loire Gendarmerie, honoured us with their presence.

After a snack, we enjoyed a meal on the terrace, with musical entertainment.





The evening continued with a concert by the group El Trior.



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All in all, it was a very happy and enjoyable evening. FRIENDSHIP, so dear to the IPA, was not an empty word.

The joy of all those involved in this event will remain our greatest memory, along with hundreds of photos and videos.

IPA FRANCE would like to thank all the participants, all the helpers and all the purchasers of the limited edition badge created specifically for this event. By the way, collectors, there are still a few left on sale for 5 euros: ipafrance@ipafrance.org

Servo per amikeco,

Claire, Jean Luc, Yves, William and all the volunteers...

IPA UK - DUTCH MEMBERS VISIT OXFORD



Thomas Klaassen and Lois van Kleef - IPA members from The Netherlands, came to Oxford for a couple of days and sought some help from Thames Valley branch.

The morning after their arrival Thames Valley's branch chairman and his wife Val arranged to meet them for breakfast in the city. After the meal Bill took them on a tourist walk although by his own admission, he is no expert. After all the obvious sites Bill took them to Oxford's City Police station made famous by Inspector Morse, an internationally renown

fictional police officer. Bill took the picture at this iconic location and told them they were now in the shades of Inspector Morse, to which they replied "Who?" After their tourist walk they went to the operation hub of Oxford, Cowley police station where they were invited to join the late shift. After the briefing Bill left them to it.

The following day Bill and Val took them to the National Memorial Arboretum. On arrival they went straight to "The Beat" where they were photographed under the symbolic Blue Lamp. We then walked along the avenue to the Thames Valley section and the two Dutch placed an IPA cross of remembrance. The two then took a tour on the road train and then visited the National Police memorial. They were completely overcome, not just by the Police memorials but the site in general.

This was their last day in Oxford so we took them back to their hotel said our goodbyes knowing we had made a bond.

Bill Butcher, Chairman Thames Valley Branch

IPA BRAZIL - NATIONAL CONGRESS AND COMMENDATION



IPA Brasil – National Executive and Regional Presidents

The National Council of the International Police Association Brazil Section — IPA Brazil, composed of the regional presidents of the IPA in Brazil and its National Executive, met on July 19th of the current year to promote the closure of the Strategic Management Plan aimed at a total reengineering of the entity, which began in July 2017. The completion of this reengineering had been scheduled for a period of four years, however, the global pandemic (Covid-19) stalled the project for two years. The National Congress of IPA Brazil decided to promote a change in its National Statute with the aim of adapting it to the new norms of the IPA, manifested in the last IPAWC

2022, and for a new management direction with the objective of seeking a wide range of new members.

On the date of July 27th, in a Solemn Session in the Legislative Chamber of the Brazilian Federal District, in order for the national legislative recess, the International Police Association Brazil Section – IPA Brazil received a significant Commendation destined to institutions and people who dedicate their efforts to the preservation of the history and in the construction of a better society due to its performance in the national social context. At the time, the National Firefighter's Day was celebrated, in which IPA Brazil brought a group

of junior firefighters to this event, inherent to one of its projects aimed at underprivileged children, which currently reaches the number of 600 children assisted. Indeed, it was a memorable night.

Servo per Amikeco.

IPA Brazil







IPA ISRAEL - SOCIO - CULTURAL COMMISSION VISIT TO ROMANIA FOR THE IPA GAMES 2024



The SCC delegation, Kyriakos Karkalis, chairman, Kikis Pericleous and Dr. Eran Israel visited Romania on July 2023 to prepare the IPA Games 2024.

The IPA Games will be held in Brasov (Cheile Grădiștei resort) 19-24.2024.

The IPA Romania section started preparations for the games already last year, a team from the national board was established and coordination meetings were held with the hotel complex that will host the participants of the games, with the

director of the Brasov district, the mayor of Brasov and the relevant government managers.

In 2018, the SCC started the biggest IPA international sports event - the IPA Games in Lisbon, Portugal. It was an initiative of the chairperson of the SCC Adv. Gal Sharon.

Almost 350 participants from 23 countries took part in volleyball, shooting, running, futsal, and basketball. It was an historical event hosted by the Portuguese section. The second IPA games was in Montenegro. It was postponed twice and finally in 2022 the IPA Games were held in Montenegro.

The 2nd IPA Games took place from 8-13 May 2022 in the wonderful seaside resort of Bar, in Montenegro. The event was attended by more than 500 athletes and over 700 visitors from 26 countries! A global celebration of Police sports and friendship! The sports competitions involved: indoor football, beach volleyball, 3x3 basketball, shooting, table tennis, as well as running (5,000 m) for both men and women, by age categories. IPA Montenegro section did its best, leaving everyone with fantastic impressions! Flawless facilities, perfect hotels, a meticulous organisation, and plenty of surprises! During the opening ceremony, the flag of Montenegro and the flag of the Games were dropped from the sky with two paratroopers, and the program also included a demonstration of firefighting on a ship, and a rescue by helicopter! The message shared was no to Covid, no to war, but yes to friendship and solidarity! As Chairperson of the IPA Socio-Cultural Commission, Kyriakos Karkalis stated:" I feel completely justified. The hard work of 3 years, both commission and of the organising section was great success".

During the visit to Romania, the SCC delegation were welcomed by the president of the IPA Romanian Section - Tărtăreanu Mihai, accompanied by Mr. Balteanu Cătălin - general secretary, Tiţa Lulian - national treasurer, Mureşan Marius vice-president for international relations and Mr. Melinte Ion, vice-president for hobbies and sports.

The delegation traveled to Braşov, the town of Fundata, where the Cheile Grădiștei resort is located, with a capacity of approximately 1000 places.

IPA ISRAEL - SOCIO - CULTURAL COMMISSION VISIT TO ROMANIA FOR THE IPA GAMES 2024

The resort includes two accommodation areas, at about 4km from each other, with restaurants, spa centre and sports facilities for each of them. The representatives of the Romanian Section have already reserved the entire capacity of the Cheile Grădiștei resort for the period from May 19 to 24 of 2024, as there are premises for this hotel complex to accommodate all participants.

The SCC delegation checked the rooms, dining rooms, places and entertainment options, places, and halls for the concentration of all the participants were checked.

The logistics for transporting the participants between the competition complexes were also examined, as well as the trip options to the city of Brasov and the surrounding area, including Dracula's castle.

In such a large and complex event, the connection between the participants, the mutual recognition and the international connections are of great importance.

It should be remembered that most of the participants will be young police officers. Another important goal is the recruitment of young police officers to the IPA. The field of sports is a broad common denominator in every police force in the world. After analysing the conditions but also in accordance with the regulations established by the SCC, compared to the previous games, a few changes will be made:

- Basketball will be played in teams of 5 players each team;
- Volleyball will be played indoors, in teams of 6 players each team;
- The mini-football competition will take place on the synthetic surface, outside.
- The shooting competition will take place in an authorized shooting range, with 9mm caliber handgun, provided by the organisers.

Any changes regarding the competition regulations will be communicated in due time.

3 new sports disciplines will be introduced - judo , chess and biathlon - the regulations will be communicated in due time.

The delegates also traveled to the city of Braşov and the neighboring towns, the area being extremely attractive from a tourist point of view.

Meetings were held with the mayor of Braşov - Allen Coliban , the prefect of Braşov County Catalin Văsii, the president of the Brasov County Council - Şerban Todorică.

There is a willingness and understanding that this is an event at an international level and IPA members will come from many countries, therefore assistance was guaranteed from all the parties at the municipal and governmental level.

One of the most important elements for the success of the games is the means of transportation to get to the place. There are 4 international airports that make it possible to reach Brasov and in any case the IPA Romania will publish the details regarding the possibilities in the publications it will distribute.

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The trip to Romania included with a visit to the Romanian Ministry of Internal Affairs, where Mr. Secretary of State Quaestor General Despescu Bogdan stated that the IPA activity will have the best support from the government to be carried out in the best conditions.

The meeting was especially exciting when it turned out that General Despescu is an old IPA member in the branch of the Romanian IPA President Tărtăreanu Mihai.

The SCC delegates and the chairman, we would like to thank the national board of IPA Romania and especially the President of IPA Romania Tărtăreanu Mihai, for an important, focused and efficient visit.

We found that the Romanian section is prepared and ready for the 2024 IPA Games in Brasov and we hope that many delegations from all IPA sections in the world, will take part in the games.

This is the largest and most complex project in IPA and we are convinced that it will be a great success.



For more details IPA Romania will publish an exact breakdown of the arrival options, prices, the program of the games, the social activities and the trips, as well as many video clips and photographs so that you can get an impression of the special and beautiful place that will host the games.

Dr. Eran Israel SCC Secretary

Media and Communication

VIDEO

See the video of the SCC visit to Romania for the IPA games 2024 here:



IPA USA - TACTICAL TRAINING PROGRAM

The IPA US Section is pleased to announce that they will again be hosting a 5-day tactical training program from 24-28 June 2024, Green Bay, Wisconsin,

The program is geared to any member no matter where you are at in your career.

The course will cover a variety of topics affecting all, no matter what uniform you wear.

For more information, contact Joe Johnson president@ipa-usa.org

You can also find more information on our International Website: IPA - Upcoming Events (ipa-international.org)





IPA JAPAN HOLDS NATIONAL CONGRESS IN YOKOHAMA

NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD CONFIRMED

The National Congress of IPA Japan was held under the summer sun in Yokohama, Kanagawa Prefecture on July 8th. Originally a prosperous port city, Yokohama now has many tourist attractions and is popular with overseas visitors. The congress venue, "Workpia Yokohama," is a facility that is also used for international conferences because it has excellent access to tourist attractions and is close to train stations and highways. IPA Japan, which joined the IPA in 1962, held its 60th National Congress in Tokyo last year, and this year's congress was a fresh start to its 61st year. The general meeting began with the IPA Hymn, followed by the opening address from IPA



Japan President Masahito Kanetaka and a welcome speech from the Kanagawa Region representative. The secretaries and a club representative then reported on their activities in 2022, and several agenda items were discussed. These included the activity plan and budget for 2023, which were approved. Finally, the triennial election of the secretaries was held, and the new structure of the Executive Board was confirmed as follows. The position of Regional Meeting Secretary was created.



President: Masahito Kanetaka

Vice President: Kunio Igarashi

Secretary General: Masato Nozaki

Treasurer: Kunio Inagaki

Travel Secretary: Ryoji Suzuki

Project and Operation Secretary: Katsuhiro Nishino

Public Relations Secretary: Hidehito Takiguchi

Young Members Affairs Secretary: Yoshinori Sanpei

Regional Meeting Secretary: Toru Uto

After the general meeting, members and supporting members gathered for a commemorative photo before the reception began. It is customary for the cover of IPA Japan's annual newsletter to feature a group photo from this occasion. Everyone, whether they knew it or not, looked a bit serious.

After the photo shoot, the reception was held, attended by members, supporting members and guests of honor including Mr. Toshikatsu Naoe, Chief of the Kanagawa Prefectural Police. At the reception, President Kanetaka

introduced the new Executive Board, and then the delegation to the World Congress in Athens this autumn and a member of the Kanagawa Region who were attending to a friendship event in Frankfurt in August gave speeches.



IPA JAPAN HOLDS NATIONAL CONGRESS IN YOKOHAMA



Of note was an aerobic performance at the end of the reception. A woman performed a spectacular and dynamic dance in front of the participants. After the performance, she confessed that she was autistic, which surprised us. Her name is Ms. Marina Takeuchi. According to Ms. Mieko Sekiguchi, President of the Kanagawa Aerobic Association, she has "autism with intellectual disability. I was impressed by the way she danced so majestically and proudly. I hope the applause we gave her during the performance embodied the spirit of IPA's motto "Servo per Amikeco" (Service through Friendship). I heard that President Sekiguchi's goal is to organise a world championship in "Adapted Aerobics" that can be enjoyed by people with disabilities and others according to their own physical abilities.

The fun time was over in a flash and the reception was closed by Vice President Kunio Igarashi of IPA Japan with a view to seeing each other again next year in Hokkaido.

IPA Japan would like to invite overseas friends to Japan in 2024 and beyond. First, we are planning to invite IPA Judo enthusiasts to hold a "Friendship Judo Week" in Chiba Prefecture next November. Let's deepen the friendship among Judoka by practicing together in Japan, the birthplace of Judo. In March 2025, we are also planning to have a "Friendship Week in Japan" with visits to Osaka, Himeji, Hiroshima, Kyoto, Hakone/Yokohama and Tokyo. It will be an opportunity to fully enjoy Japanese culture, history, nature, and food during the beautiful cherry blossom season. Information about these events will be provided as details are finalised.





Toru Uto IPA Japan Secretariat

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the Kanagawa Region for organising a great National Congress.



IPA NETHERLANDS - TRAVEL ADVICE FOR VISITING IPA MEMBERS ABROAD

If you are an IPA member and would like like meet other IPA members abroad or would like to gain insight into a foreign police force, you are requested to complete a 'travel form'.

The travel form has been in use for years in the IPA, and while it take some time to fill it in, it helps indicate that you are an IPA member and of which section you belong, which is it's intended purpose. The completed form is then sent to the travel officer who forward it to the relevant country.

Yes, I agree, the answer from abroad can sometimes takes a long time to come and we appreciate it can be frustrating. There has been some questions raised if this form is necessary and if we could simply email the IPA section directly, or if we can make contact via social media to make the necessary arrangements.

However, we have come to realise that if you bypass the travel form, the IPA membership card, official ID, or any police ID is not requested when

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IPA Travel Form

dealing with the travel requests. Therefore, anyone can make these enquiries for traveling abroad with the IPA. Apparently, it can be deemed unfair to ask for further identification, but I consider this to be extremely unprofessional. This suggests than any non-IPA member can put on an old IPA shirt that you once received from someone and all doors will open for you.

Is this an unfounded fear, or do we see monkeys and bears on the road that are not there? No, we recently experienced that a non IPA member that was pretending to be part of the IPA community was received with all due respect at a foreign police station. We have to ask, who are we bringing in? Could this be an old police officer that has now left the police force, or could this perhaps be a criminal?!

In my time as head of communications at the then Hollands Midden police force, I often received requests from alleged foreign "police officers" towards the summer to do an insight internship with the police. When I asked them to provide details of which police force they worked for and to send a copy of their ID and passport, I heard nothing more. Very normal questions if you don't know someone.

When inviting foreign IPA members to the Netherlands, for example at Netherlands on patrol, we always ask them to identify themselves properly. This is also requested for broadcasts abroad. I receive requests from other countries to confirm whether someone is indeed a member of the IPA and to confirm if he or she has registered there to visit an agency. And rightly so.

You may ask why I write this article? To raise awareness that maybe not everyone is who they say they are. When you recieve requests from so-called IPA members from abroad or even when you visit abroad, it's good to check that these people are part of our organisation that is built on friendship.

We create some amazing freindships in IPA, so if you are going to visit IPA friends you've known for years... Well, then you don't have to do much else. I encourage you to go and enjoy yourselves with friends around the world.

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IPA UK - INTERNATIONAL MOTORCYCLE RALLY

IPA UK MOTORCYCLE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP



International Rally at Llangollen June 29th to July 1st 2023

The International Police Association (IPA) is a worldwide friendship association of serving and retired police officers. Within IPA there are various special interest groups, one of the most active being the motorcycle interest group. This year saw the second of our international rallies based at The Hand Hotel in Llangollen, North Wales.

On Thursday 29th June participants from the UK, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Luxembourg and even Australia arrived at the Hand Hotel to be greeted by members of the UK group. We took over the hotel with around 80 guests and some 60 bikes took part in the rally. J&S Motorcycle Accessories of Northwich kindly presented each participant with a goodie bag containing neck tubes which soon became de riguer for the event. The bags themselves became useful in which to place other gifts and essentials. We are very grateful to J&S for their support.

It was good see three North Wales Police Motorcyclists who called in to say hello on Thursday as our visitors arrived. We may have recruited one of them into the IPA

On Thursday evening the rally was officially opened by Llangollen's Town Cryer.

After an excellent dinner that evening riders were able to choose which of the planned rides for Friday and Saturday they wanted to take part in.

Also to catch up with friends old and new.

Various routes were planned covering much of North Wales including mountains moors and coast. Routes were carefully planned in advance and included interesting lunch and coffee stops. Some as far afield as Anglesey.

Although the weather wasn't great on Friday, no one got too wet and all thoroughly enjoyed the rides. Another excellent meal that evening in equally excellent company.

On Saturday the weather cleared and the views opened up impressing some of our visitors who had not been here before. The same rides took place with different participants. Saturday evening included another great meal and local live entertainment. Some might say the entertainment was a bit loud and head banging, but it was fun.

Sunday was the time for fond farewells, promises to meet again and journeys home.

All in all it was really good week end enjoyed by all. Just a small downside that underlined the need for good travel insurance. One of our German friends had a little argument with a welsh stone wall resulting in a shoulder injury. However, he was soon winging he is way home to receive an operation in his home country and his trusty Honda Pan European is being recovered to Germany also.

So thanks to everyone for support and organisation including our friends at J&S.



IPA GERMANY - 30 JAHRE IPA ESTLAND



Anlässlich ihres Jubiläums hatte die IPA Estland vom 10.-16.07.2023 zu einer FRIENDSHIP WEEK eingeladen. 28 Teilnehmer aus United Kingdom, Frankreich, Schweiz, Finnland, Kuweit und Deutschland starteten zu einer Rundreise mit einem sehr attraktivem Besucherprogramm. Die Wanderung in einem riesigem Moorgebiet, die Führung am Grenzübergang Narva/Rußland, die Polizeistation in Narva, der Besuch im Polizeimuseum Rakvere, das





riesige private Automuseum von Oleg Gross in Lepna, die Ritterspiele und das Rittermahl in der Festung Rakvere, der Gang unter Tage im Steinbruch Aidu sowie die "Steinbruchsafari" auf dem Gelände, die sehr schöne Promenade im Ostseebad Sillamäe, Besichtigung und Kostprobe in der zweitältesten Wodkabrennerei der Welt Moe von 1866 in Lääne-Viru, die Fahrten durch das Land und noch einige weitere Begegnungen waren sehr interessant. Letztlich endete die Reise in Pärnu im Hotel Lepanina. Hier waren weitere IPA-Freundinnen und -Freunde aus dem In- u. Aus

in Pärnu im Hotel Lepanina. Hier waren weitere IPA-Freundinnen und -Freunde aus dem In- u. Ausland angereist, um abschließend gemeinsam noch zwei festliche IPA-Sommertage mit einem buntem Programm zu verbringen. Es war wieder ein beeindruckendes Erlebnis mit und in der weltweiten IPA-Familie unterwegs zu sein.

M. Lorenzen, IPA Hannover / Germany



IPA SPAIN - TRANSPIRENAICA ROUTE BIKE RIDE

FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN TO THE CANTABRIA - 6th October to 10th October 2023

Organised by IPA Catalunya, the 4rd Transpirenaica IPA route is not a race nor a rally. It's a journey through the beautiful French and Spanish Pyrenees, alternating between the two countries during the entire route.

For those who enjoy riding the bike and long tour journeys, it's a hard path, full of winding roads and high mountains, featuring and landscapes that can only be enjoyed when riding a bike in different ways. The route will last 5 days.

More information can be found on our International Website: IPA - Upcoming Events (ipa-international.org)

IPA SRI LANKA - OBITUARY MR WIJAYA SENEVIRATNE

Death of former National Secretary General – IPA Sri Lanka (1994-1995) Mr. Wijaya Seneviratne, Rtd. Senior Superintendent of Police



We, IPA Sri Lanka, records with deep sadness the demise of Mr. Wijaya Seneviratne, former National Secretary General of IPA - Sri Lanka on 16th August at the age of 86 years.

Hailing from Bentara of the Southern Province of Sri Lanka, a past pupil of St Sylvester's College, Kandy, Wijaya joined

the Police in 1957. He followed in the footsteps of two of his older brothers, Rtd. SP Chandra Seneviratne (Tiny) and Rtd. SP Sarath Seneviratne.

Soon after joining the Police, he played rugby for the Police team in the initial years under Captain Sivendran (Rtd. SSP). He was also a cricketer of repute who represented the divisions he served in, in the Jayawardhana trophy annual tournament.

After his promotion to the rank of Superintendent of Police, he was in charge of the Sri Lanka Police Kennels Division which he reorganised to serve the entire Island. Wijaya followed several overseas courses during his career in the Service. Wijaya was one of the pioneer members who helped the Section to get the suspension removed which was imposed by the IEC for non-payment of subscription in 1991 and served as the National Secretary General from 1994 to 1995, Vice President from 1997 to 1998 and as a NEC member for several years.

He represented the Section Sri Lanka as the Observer at the World Congress 1994 held in Luxembourg and IEC Conference 1996 held in Australia. After retirement he worked for the United Nations, Safety and Security division in Sri Lanka, for about 4 years.

He was honest and hardworking. He won the admiration of his Superiors and Subordinates alike and he was a source of encouragement and inspiration to the Officers and the Subordinates. He was always held in high esteem among his superiors, peers, juniors, subordinates, and members of the public. He was an affable person and was recognised as a gentle and kind-hearted Officer by all who worked under him. He is an Officer who was a Role Model for his high level of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and leadership. He always had the following quotation in his office 'Be nice to people on your way up, because you are bound to meet them on your way down.' He followed this principal unto the last.

His wife Jayani passed away in 2022 and he leaves behind his two children. Son Priyankara and daughter Chandani.

His funeral took place on 20th August 2023 at General Cemetery, Borella, Sri Lanka with Police Honours. A devout Buddhist, may he attain the supreme bliss of Nibbana.

Sunethra Senevirathne
Assistant National Secretary General
IPA Sri Lana Section

IPA COLOMBIA - CELEBRACIÓN DEL SÉPTIMO ANIVERSARIO (2016—2023)

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF IPA COLOMBIA PHOTO COMPETITION



Estimados amigos

En primer lugar, agradecer a Dios por colocarme en este lugar, también a mi familia y al consejo directivo pues con su apoyo y colaboración se logró llevar a cabo este gran evento de unidad fortaleciendo nuestro lema "SERVO PER AMIKECO – SERVICIO POR AMISTAD".

Con mucho entusiasmo y compromiso el consejo directivo que presido organizó la celebración del 7 aniversario de fundación de nuestra sección que se oficializó el 8 de julio de 2016.

Contamos con la participación de asociados de nuestra capital: Bogotá y del nivel nacional e internacional, lo que nos llena de orgullo pues vimos los frutos de la labor emprendida para conectar con esta festividad al mayor número de asociados. Los asistentes presenciales y virtuales disfrutaron un espacio de exaltación y entretenimiento, que sólo dejó agradecimientos y buenos recuerdos, un espacio inolvidable para todos.

Agradecemos el apoyo de la Dirección de Veteranos y Rehabilitación Inclusiva DIVRI, quienes nos facilitaron la logística e infraestructura para el éxito de nuestro evento que se desarrolló en tres momentos y lugares dentro de sus instalaciones.

1) CEREMONIA DE RECONOCIMIENTOS



IPA COLOMBIA - CELEBRACIÓN DEL SÉPTIMO ANIVERSARIO (2016—2023)

Antes de empezar la parte más solemne de nuestro evento, se animó al público con una muestra representativa del folclore colombiano a cargo de uno de los grupos musicales de la Policía Nacional conocido como "papayera" y su interpretación de canciones bailables y alegres.

Acto seguido, se invitó a los asistentes a entrar al auditorio donde se realizaron varios reconocimientos pues quisimos resaltar la labor de diferentes asociados en el transcurso de los siete años de existencia de nuestra sección.

<u>Homenaje póstumo a Jorge A. Peroza</u> su esposa, Alcira Daza recibió el reconocimiento. Quisimos resaltar que recordamos y agradecemos todo su apoyo, su labor y consejo desde antes de la fundación de la sección y en el proceso para ser parte de IPA Internacional.

Reconocimiento al Primer presidente de IPA Colombia Pedro Nel Delgado Acosta y a su Consejo directivo 2019-2022. Se reconoció y exhortó el compromiso y dedicación de nuestros antecesores, con un sencillo pero sentido Homenaje público con la entrega de un diploma que da cuenta de dicho reconocimiento.

<u>Reconocimiento Internacional</u>. Se hizo entrega oficial en la ceremonia, del reconocimiento que IPA Internacional envió al finalizar su periodo como presidente de IPA Colombia (2016 – 2022) a Pedro Nel Delgado Acosta por sus servicios.

<u>Colaboradores</u>. Se valoró la entrega y dedicación de compañeros que desde los inicios de nuestra sección pusieron su grano de arena para hacerla parte de IPA Internacional, entre los que se destacan los compañeros Argemiro Serna, Luis Enrique Montenegro y Marco Forero, que, entre otros, contribuyeron a engrandecer nuestra asociación; para ellos y para todos nuestros asociados que han creído en este gran proyecto, un abrazo fraterno y nuestro agradecimiento.

<u>Nuevos asociados</u>: También se reconoció su compromiso adquirido al asociarse a nuestra sección y se les dio la bienvenida colocando en sus solapas la insignia de IPA, generando en ellos sentido de pertenencia y unidad, fue un momento muy gratificante para todos.

2) PREMIACIÓN PRIMER CONCURSO DE FOTOGRAFIA IPA COLOMBIA



El consejo directivo de IPA Colombia, convocó al primer concurso nacional de fotografía en marzo del presente año, el cual tuvo gran aceptación por parte de los asociados que enviaron sus fotografías desde diferentes lugares del país; agradecemos a todos por su apoyo y participación y esperamos el año próximo tener muchos más participantes.

Se recibieron un total de 20 obras y contamos con un jurado de lujo, Dionisio Fernández oficial de la policía nacional en uso de buen retiro, quien estuvo al frente de la oficina de comunicaciones estratégicas de la policía nacional por más de 20 años, Mayor Fabian León actualmente subdirector de la jefatura de comunicaciones estratégicas de la policía nacional y Yolanda Usuga, oficial de la policía en retiro, profesional en estadística cuyo hobby por años ha sido la fotografía.

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Así, el jurado seleccionó las mejores fotografías y los autores de las 2 mejores en cada categoría fueron premiados en nuestra ceremonia de Aniversario y fueron reconocidos con un trofeo, un diploma donde consta su lugar en el concurso y una remuneración económica simbólica como incentivo.

Estas fueron las fotografías ganadoras:







Mejor Fotografía Modalidad Policial

- 1) Mejor Fotografía, categoría policial: "Arrodillado solo ante Dios, de pie por mi Patria" Autor: Ri cardo A. Conde M. hermano de asociado Carlos Conde M. CO-O-00197.
- 2) Segundo lugar, categoría policial: "Policía Educa para el Futuro" Autor: Henry Ramírez Noreña. CO-O-00155
- 1) Mejor fotografía, categoría libre: "Susurro de Libertad"

Autor: Edgar Cardozo Q. CO-O-0072

2) Segundo lugar, categoría libre: "Hermosa Calle de Pueblo Co lombiano"

Autora: Rocío Duran Valencia. CO-O-

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3) INTEGRACION: ALMUERZO DE COMPAÑEROS Y BINGO

A continuación, disfrutamos de una deliciosa comida con la asistencia de nuestros amigos IPA y sus acompañantes, un espacio de distención e integración alrededor de la buena mesa.

Como cierre de la jornada, en el aula múltiple, tuvimos un espacio maravilloso para compartir local, nacional e internacionalmente con nuestros asociados y amigos; contamos con el profesionalismo y compromiso del grupo de teatro "Muscida" el cual engrandeció, entretuvo y amenizó la tarde con el desarrollo del bingo y con una obra de teatro musical que reunía estilos musicales de Colombia e internacionales.

Se realizaron 4 bingos, donde los ganadores recibieron un premio en efectivo, también se realizaron algunas rifas con detalles sencillos pero que aumentaron el número de ganadores y así la alegría de este maravilloso evento.

Toda la jornada fue una magnifica experiencia de confraternización



entre compañeros, que esperamos también sea un buen motivo para fidelizar a nuestros asociados y motivarlos para contribuir en fortalecer nuestra sección e incrementar el número de asociados.

IPA KENYA - WALK THE WORLD

IPA KENYA SECTION MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN THE WALK THE WORLD FOR BLUE FRIENDSHIP DAY



Sunday 30th July 2023 will remain a day to remember, for a long time in the history of IPA Section Kenya. On this day, IPA members- serving and retired, young and old, joined the rest of the world in marking Walk the World for Blue Friendship Day.

One month before this date, preparations had begun. Every member gave donations towards the event; for the purchase of branded T-shirts, banners and items to be donated towards the charitable cause after the walk.

MEMBERS ASSEMBLE AT THE NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE HQS JOGOO HOUSE 'A'

As the clock struck nine, the command was given, and the march in the city began. The march began at the National Police Service Headquarters, Jogoo House A, covering Harambee Avenue, Parliament Road, City Hall Way, Taifa Road, and back to Jogoo House.

Led by the police rider, banner bearers and scouts, the team sang the famous Kenyan patriotic song- *Kenya nchi yangu, Hakuna matata*. They were cheered by the public who stopped to watch this historic event, never been witnessed in the City of Nairobi before. The Traffic Police controlled the traffic to ensure the safety of the participants.

After the one-hour walk, the entire team proceeded to the Makadara Children's Centre in the City of Nairobi. The centre is home to 78 children, and is among the four main

THE WALK A LONG THE STREETS OF NAIROBI

Rescue Centres un by the Nairobi City County Government. The Centre caters for children rescued from the city streets.



The Centre Manager, Mr. David Arika conducted the team around and explained, "We identify the hotspots, collect the data on the children, and through our social workers, ask them to voluntarily come to our Centre. When the children arrive here, they are usually malnourished, dirty and most times vermin-infested. We cut their hair, bathe them and give them a new set of clothing and bedding. This is the first step towards psychological transformation. Most of them would be taking a warm shower for the first time in their lives."

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IPA KENYA - WALK THE WORLD



YOUNG ABRAM BARAK ATTENDED

The County Government Chief Officer, Social Services, Mr. George Mutiso said, "Here, we provide guidance and counseling, Life skill training, emotional healing, spiritual nourishment and medical care. This is in addition to the provision of basic needs, Co-curricular (dancing, sports, drama). Those that excel in their careers are connected to the job market. Finally, we aim at family reintegration and reunification through the restoration & reconciliation of family relationships.

While addressing the gathering, IPA Kenya President, Mr. Alfred Osur said, "We come here to share in our friendship and unconditional love. Our members are not very rich people, but out of the little God has blessed us with, we choose to share with you.

It's because we recognise that through this, we shall create lasting bonds-the bonds of friendship. Equally, we acknowledge the difficult circumstances that most of you have been through, and our assurance is that the future is brighter, because we are in a caring society, where true friendship is still valued. The little that we have come to share with you are donations by individual members of our Association - your friends. We sincerely thank the Management of this Centre for the enormous work they have done in providing this magnificent facility for your shelter and nurture. I hope that you will take full advantage of this golden opportunity and come out of here with skills that will help you to be independent."

The Chief Guest, Mr. Brian Mulama- CECM, Mobility and Works, who represented the Governor at the meeting thanked IPA for the many activities they had done in partnership with the County Government of Nairobi and promised to engage with the IPA Section Kenya in joint future endeavours.



JARED OJOUK SECRETARY GENERAL IPA KENYA After the speeches were over, IPA members led the entertainment. Food was served, and IPA members mingled freely, enjoying the sumptuous meal and soft drinks. Finally, the IPA Section Kenya handed over to the management of the Children's Centre the foodstuff valued at USD 1,000, and this ended the eventful day on a high note.



WITH CHILDREN AT THE MAKADARA CHILDREN CENTRE

IPA JAPAN - WELCOME IPA CANADA MEMBERS

IPA CANADA MEMBER'S VISIT TO HIROSHIMA, JAPAN FOSTERS FRIENDSHIP WITH REGIONAL MEMBERS



The IPA Japan Hiroshima Region welcomed its first overseas IPA member since its establishment in November 2021.

On 17 and 18 July, Mr. Alexander Zaganas, a police officer with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, visited Hiroshima and enjoyed interacting with the regional

members. Having worked as an assistant English teacher in Japan and being fluent in Japanese, he was eager to meet Japanese police officers.

Hiroshima hosted the G7 Summit in May this year. It is home to two World Heritage Sites, Miyajima and the Atomic Bomb Dome, both of which were visited by the G7 leaders. As for local food, it is famous for its oysters and "okonomiyaki". Okonomiyaki is like a pizza made of chopped cabbage, noodles, sliced pork and a fried egg cooked on an iron griddle. During the G7 summit, British Prime Minister Sunak tried his hand at making okonomiyaki. So, we decided to show him those places.



On the first day, he went to Miyajima and visited Itsukushima Shrine, which looks like it is floating in the sea. Then he enjoyed the view of the Seto Inland Sea, famous for its beautiful scenery, from Mount Misen. In the evening, at a wine bar near the Peace Memorial Park, he discussed Japanese and Canadian culture, the police systems of both countries, etc. with our regional members.

On the second day, he visited the Asakita Police Station and one of its Koban in the north of Hiroshima City. At the police station, he enjoyed watching Japanese arrest

techniques and talking to young police officers. He seemed to be surprised to learn that each police station has its own martial arts hall called "dojo". In the afternoon, he also tried cooking okonomiyaki and then visited the Peace Memorial Park, where he felt the tragedy of the atomic bombing. In the evening



he tasted traditional Japanese cuisine at an izakaya (Japanese pub) and chatted with 15 of our regional members.



He later sent me a message saying, "I had an unforgettable time in Hiroshima with your colleagues. I'll remember it forever." In conclusion, I would like to tell him that the time we spent together was a wonderful memory for us too. Alexander, thank you very much for visiting Hiroshima.

Yoshiki Sera IPA Japan Hiroshima Region



IPA UK - INTERNATIONAL LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (ILDEP)



As part of ILDEP scheme for IPA members, I recently had the fantastic opportunity to spend some time with the hospitable Dallas Police Department.

UK policing and our renowned model of policing by consent continues to hold a strong international reputation. As a member of Police Staff, I was keen to explore during my visit any insights as to what a modern police service, fit for the 2020s and beyond, looks like and approached Dallas PD to explore what initiatives they have undertook to improve community policing and increase trust within their communities. Furthermore, often US law enforcement has similar (if not even more pronounced) challenges as we do in UK

Policing, and with a similar population size to London and our Most Similar Groups (GMP, West Midlandss, Police Scotland), Dallas faces some parallel challenges.

I was a little nervous beforehand that my background as Police Staff instead of an Officer would cause some barri-

ers during my visit, of which I was quickly pleasantly surprised would not be the case through the open and hospitable nature that Dallas PD offered to me during my time with them.

My visit kicked off with the Mounted Unit where I was shown around on the workings of the team and their 20+ horses. I was introduced to Earthquake (below)— one of the newer additions to the team — and was briefed on the set piece events the Unit were working on throughout the year — the most notable of which being the Texas State Fair with preparations that were well underway for the upcoming sell-out attraction (end of Sept-Mid Oct). Following a quick demo on tactics, I had a brief stopover with the Canine Unit and Officer George Prock and his team,



where we exchanged notes on the various training approaches to dog handling and some of the key trends the Dallas PD were facing.



My day then concluded with a quick whistle stop tour of the City's SWAT team (infamous from the TV series of the late 00s "Dallas SWAT"). I was able to swap patches, view some of the their equipment, and talk through some of the pressures the team covers in responding to the "Tier 1" threats facing the City through a mixture of gangs, organised crime, and terrorism (Colleyville synagogue hostage crisis).

IPA UK - INTERNATIONAL LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (ILDEP)

The following day I was then able to spend some time with the team based out of Love Field Airport, responsible for providing policing and security at the airport. I was shown around and I was able to obtain a comprehensive picture of their work - for example their crucial role in being on the frontline in the fight against the smuggling of illicit finance and narcotics. Through a series of briefings, I noticed that there are differences but also large similarities in how we and the US police work. Specifically in the use of partnership working (the Dallas PD Love Field Unit's main partners are the FBI, State Dept, and Dallas Fire-Rescue to name a few!) and also from a legal perspective. After a long day, that evening an IPA meet and greet night had been set up which



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The following day I managed to cram in quite a few bits including spending some time with the Dallas PD headquarters — which included spending time with their FUSION/Intelligence Unit — in addition to the Community Affairs bureau to learn and exchange notes on their approach to neighbourhood policing with communities with low trust in policing. After a packed morning, I was able to move on and spend some time with their training centre to discuss their new recruits training program which lasts over a 10-month duration.

The last day of this fantastic trip had now unfortunately arrived. I was gutted to be going home. I said my goodbyes and left, disappointed I couldn't be staying longer but happy that I got to take part in such an incredible IPA trip that left me with so many good memories and newly acquired insight into policing in the US. The kindness and generosity of everyone I met will be hard to match. Special thanks to all from IPA UK, Section 9, and London North Branch for making this all possible.

I thoroughly recommended all IPA members to explore what the amazing ILDEP scheme can offer you!

Adam Laidouci London North Branch member IPA UK

IPA BRAZIL - PROJECT "MALA DO LIVRO"



The International Police Association Brazil Section – IPA Brazil, in unusual integration with the National Public Library, an agency linked to the Brazilian Ministry of Education and Culture, together with the Secretariat of Culture and Creative Economy of the Federal District, an agency linked to the Government of the Federal District of Brazil, develop the Project called: "MALA DO LIVRO".



"MALA DO BOOK", is a social program that was born from a simple proposal, in the sense of taking good literary works, which meet all tastes and interests, to spaces without libraries, through a methodology of using colored boxes in the shape of a suitcase, full of books, placed in predetermined areas, such as subway stations, public buses, squares, parks, prisons, social and sports centers, indigenous villages, and other related areas, for free distribution of books for those who enjoy and trust the power of reading.

The objective of the project is to encourage the habit of reading, as this in one way or another brings an improvement to people's lives, as it is certain that whoever

reads expands vocabulary and improves writing skills, facilitating access to the job

market. Reading reduces stress and improves memory, in addition to the fact that those who read increase their critical capacity, which promotes greater participation in the social and political trajectory of the country, thus strengthening democracy and guaranteeing a promising future for themselves and others.



IPA BRAZIL - PROJECT "MALA DO LIVRO"



IPA Brazil, launched its participation in the project, in particular the event that took place on July 15, 2023, anticipating the realisation of its National Congress, which took place on July 19, 2023, in its beautiful social area, arising from a public-private partnership with the government of the Federal District, TAGUAPARK, which shelters the IPA Brasil project called: "Happy Child", with its unusual playground, plant nursery, and IPA

waterfall, an allusion to water resources, a global need, in

accordance with the resolution of the World Water Forum in Brazil, with the presence of 179 countries, in which IPA Brazil participated.



With the "Mala do Livro", in which its boxes and voluntary agents, began to be distributed in the first stage (laboratory), in the locations of the Federal District and mainly in the capital

of Brazil, Brasília, seeking to sow reading for studies, leisure, informing, and not a few to delight. We believe that one more step where there was none before, we have already considered the participation of the IPA in Brazil in the face of yet another successful representativeness, as social actions are the link for us to have public safety and harmony in the context of society. Furthermore, reading produces humanity.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2023

Mo	n Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 IPA Italy - Nord Ciociaria Motorcycle Rally	8 IPA Italy - Nord Ciociaria Motorcycle Rally	9 IPA Italy - Nord Ciociaria Motorcycle Rally	10 IPA Italy - Nord Ciociaria Motorcycle Rally
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 IPA Spain - IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco	20_IPA Spain - IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco IPA Romania - Yes Life, No Drugs	21_IPA Spain - IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco IPA Romania - Yes Life, No Drugs	22 IPA Spain - IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco IPA Romania - Yes Life, No Drugs	23 _IPA Spain -IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco IPA Romania - Yes Life, No Drugs	24 _IPA Spain -IPA Malaga Trip to Morocco
25	26	27	28	29 IPA Spain - Motorcycle Police Officers Meeting	30 IPA Spain Motorcycle Police Officers Meeting	

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23 33	Motorradkultur und Sicherheit − Training für verantwortungsbewusstes Motorradfahren
23 34	Die Ware Mensch – Das kriminelle Geschäft mit Moderner Sklaverei und Menschenhandel ■ 04.09. – 08.09. 490 € IPA 360 €
23 34	Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking ₩= 04.09. – 08.09. 490 € IPA 360 €
23 35	Was Sie schon immer über Facebook, YouTube, Twitter und Co. wissen wollten, aber nie gefragt haben 11.09. − 15.09. 490 € IPA 360 €
23 36	Dschihadistischer Terror und Europas Kämpfe dagegen ■ 18.09. – 22.09. 490 € IPA 360 €
23 36	El terrorismo yihadista y la lucha de Europa contra él ==== 18.09 22.09
23 37	Führungskraft sein – habe ich mir das so vorgestellt? 27.09. – 29.09 490 € IPA 360 €

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LAST WORD

After the summer break, it is lovely to see a wonderful mix of articles in this September Newsletter edition. I hope you have enjoyed reading the content of the newsletter, which features articles from 11 IPA sections on 4 continents.

I've had a lovely August spending time with my children during the school holidays and a family vacation. I have returned feeling refreshed which is lucky as we now work towards the World Congress in Athens. It's less than 8 weeks away now and there's still lots to do. Especially as this is such an important year with the elections of the new International Executive Board and Internal Auditors.

Although I have been with the IPA now for almost a year (Time flies when you are having fun!) I still feel like the new girl as this is the first World Congress I have had the pleasure of preparing for and will be attending in October.

This month's podcast is with Stephen Crockard - Head of Administration. He has been my absolute rock since joining the IPA and the best "boss" of my career so far. After being a member of IPA for over 45 years, holding various roles throughout IPA and a member of the International Executive Board for 14 years, there's nothing about IPA he doesn't know! Stephen has made the decision to step down from his roles and responsibilities on the International Board from October, leaving a hole in my heart but a head full of IPA expertise for which I will be forever grateful. Listen to Stephen's journey through IPA by clicking the link below.

PODCAST & MARKETING



This month's podcast is with Stephen Crockard - Head of Administration. Listen to his story of IPA over the last 45 years, since first joining as a member. Stephen Crockard, Head of Administration (buzzsprout.com)

Our marketing focus for social media throughout September is "Police Horses"*. Please email any images relating to this topic to: iac@ieb-ipa.org

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