



## AUGUST 2007

### What's New

#### **21<sup>st</sup> World Scout Jamboree takes place in Hylands Park, UK**

Almost everywhere in the world, Scouts are celebrating the centenary of Scouting. The biggest celebration was at Hylands Park in Chelmsford, UK where 40,000 Scouts, including 8,000 International Service Teams (ISTs) from 158 countries, gathered for the 21<sup>st</sup> World Scout Jamboree. The Jamboree started on 28<sup>th</sup> July and closed on 7<sup>th</sup> August.

In terms of camp size, it was also the largest. Hylands Park is almost the same size as the Brownsea island where the first experimental camp was held in 1907. At the Jamboree, the original green landscape of Hylands Park's 574 acres was transformed into a huge camping ground in a matter of days. Major areas were the sub-camps, activity centres and the plaza. After the Jamboree, what will become the landmarks of WSJ 2007 will be the Scout's clock and the One World Garden.

#### **Scouting's Sunrise**

The most historically significant of all events was Scouting's Sunrise on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August. Scouts in many parts of the world awaited the sunrise to welcome a new century of Scouting. In the UK, two Scouts – ideally a boy and a girl – from every participating country went to the Brownsea Island to renew their Scout promise. WOSM Secretary General Eduardo Missoni and Peter Duncan, Chief Scout of UK, led the Brownsea ceremony.

Simultaneously, thousands of Scouts watched the ceremony live at the Jamboree arena in Hylands Park. They all wore yellow scarves for the hour-long ceremony followed by services of various faiths and beliefs.

On the same day, many countries in the region had their own celebration of Scouting's Sunrise. Details will be covered collectively in future APR publications.

For the first time, Pakistan Boy Scouts Association included girls in their contingent. One of them was a representative to the Brownsea ceremony.

#### **Participation of APR Countries at WSJ 2007**

Asia Pacific was well represented at the Jamboree with 24 countries. The total figure of 5,444 include Scout participants and ISTs from these countries: Japan (1,483), India (1,028), Scouts of China (576), Hong Kong (522), Indonesia (410), Korea (348), Bangladesh (141), Sri Lanka (140), Pakistan (107), Thailand (106), New Zealand (92), Nepal (90), Philippines (86), Australia (81), Polynesia (70), Malaysia (63), Singapore (56), Fiji (9), Mongolia (9), Bhutan (8), Maldives (6), Brunei Darussalam (5), Macau (5), and Papua New Guinea (3). Only Kiribati could not attend.

#### **Personalities at the Jamboree**

Prominent personalities graced and visited the Jamboree on various occasions. The Duke of Kent delivered a message from HM the Queen Elizabeth II. Prince William toured a part of the Jamboree and watched the official opening ceremony from the Royal Box.

### CENTENARY EVENTS

21<sup>st</sup> World Scout Jamboree  
United Kingdom, 27 July – 7 August

Sunrise Event for the Centenary /  
Gift for Peace Project, 1 August

13<sup>th</sup> DMZ Peace Trekking (for  
centennial celebration of world  
Scouting), Korea, 9-16 August 2007

Baden Powell Scout Peak Climb  
Nepal, 28 August – 16 September

International Congress on Scouting  
Geneva, 15-17 November

International Centenary COMDECA  
Bangladesh, 7-13 December

### REGIONAL CONFERENCES

Africa Regional Scout Conference  
Rwanda, 3-7 September 2007

Eurasia Regional Scout Conference  
Moscow, September 2007

22<sup>nd</sup> Asia Pacific Regional Scout  
Conference, Japan  
18-23 October 2007

Arab Regional Scout Conference  
Cairo, 7-12 November 2007

Interamerica Scout Conference  
Ecuador, 24-28 November 2007

### Ancillary events of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Asia Pacific Regional Scout Conference, Japan

APR Course for Leader Trainers  
10-16 October 2007

5<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Youth Forum  
12-15 October 2007

Jane Godall, the famous animal lover, dropped by the Global Development Village where her organization was organizing workshops. His Royalty Carl XVI Gustaf, King of Sweden, visited the Jamboree and extended invitation to the next World Scout Jamboree in Sweden in 2011.

At the sunrise ceremony, Lord Baden-Powell, grandson of founder B-P, read the founder's last message. Lech Walesa, former President of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize laureate, also came for a visit.

World Scout Committee (WSC) Chairman Herman Hui including several other WSC members and WOSM Secretary General Eduardo Missoni represented world Scouting. WSC member Ana Elisa Piubello headed the World Scouting contingent.

### **APR receptions at the Jamboree**

The World Jamboree was an opportunity to thank Scout associations that greatly contributed to the Tsunami Scout Aid Fund. At a simple reception, plaques of appreciation were given to six major donors: UK, Hong Kong, Scouts of China, Sweden, Spain, and Mexico. WOSM Secretary General Eduardo Missoni thanked the donors on behalf of WOSM. UK's young people shared their experience on how they raised the funds while Gerakan Pramuka shared the work of Indonesian Scouts in recovery projects in Aceh, Indonesia.

With the presence of 24 member countries from the Asia-Pacific, a separate reception was arranged for contingent heads and world Scouting leaders. The reception offered international cuisine from many Asian countries and entertainment items from India, New Zealand, Hong Kong and Macau. Hosting the event were Regional Scout Committee (RSC) Vice-Chairman Ross McKenzie, RSC members John Ravenhall and Oh Sang Gyoon, and Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed.

### **Japan donates tents**

As the Jamboree closed, the Scout Association of Japan donated 665 two-person tents and 120 four-person tents to national Scout organizations (NSOs). The NSOs are from the Asia-Pacific, Africa, Arab and Europe.

### **Ticket to Life Planning and Evaluation Workshop**

The Bharat Scouts and Guides hosted the evaluation workshop on the Ticket to Life project at the NHQ in New Delhi on 8-11 July 2007. Participants gave updates on the Ticket to Life (TTL) activities for street children in the six pilot countries.

The workshop was the second phase of the project to assess the past six months and to prepare for the third and final phase. Countries represented were Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Thailand, and Pakistan, with the support of the Asia Pacific office. Pakistan and Thailand are now joining the project.

### **APR Management Meeting**

Executives of World Scout Bureau Asia Pacific Region had a productive management meeting on 3-5 July in Manila. They were joined by Deputy Secretary General Mr Luc Panissod, Regional Chairman Eric Khoo and regional member Oh Sang Gyoon.

The meeting had an overview of the previous year and affirmed the regional plan for 2007-2009. The agenda included the 50<sup>th</sup> APR anniversary celebrations and the centenary of Scouting, regional budget and forecast for 2007-2008, staff development, administrative and operational issues.

## **Special events at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Asia Pacific Regional Scout Conference, Japan**

APR Sub-Committee Meetings  
17 October 2007

APR Scout Committee Meeting  
17 October 2007

APR Scout Committee meeting with heads of delegations  
18 October 2007

International Commissioner's Gathering, 19 October 2007

Training Team Members Gathering  
19 October 2007

APR Foundation Members Gathering  
19 October 2007

Launch of 50<sup>th</sup> World JOTI-JOTA  
19 October

Fundraising Dinner  
20 October 2007

APES Gathering  
20 October 2007

ATAS Gathering  
22 October 2007

Centenary Gathering  
22 October 2007

Special Recognition Ceremony  
23 October 2007

## **UPCOMING REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

APR Workshop on ICT in Scouting Malaysia, 5-8 September

50<sup>th</sup> World Scout JOTI-JOTA Worldwide, 20-21 October

18<sup>th</sup> New Zealand Jamboree  
28 December 2007 – 5 January 2008

## What's Ongoing

### More APR leaders to send-off Baden Powell Scout Peak climbers

Joining the World Scout Committee Chairman, Mr Herman Hui, are regional leaders who will send off participants for the Baden Powell trek and trail expedition that starts on 28 August and ends on 16 September. The leaders who will represent world Scouting and the Asia Pacific Region will come from Bangladesh, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and India.

Nine countries have signed up for the climb and trek: Scouts of China (7), Korea (8), Hong Kong (3), Singapore (12), Indonesia (1), Malaysia (1), Australia (2), Sri Lanka (1), and the USA (2) for a total of 36. Some Members of the Asia Pacific Evergreen Scouts (APES) and the APR Top Achiever Scouts (ATAS) are planning to attend.

### Staff Development Workshop

For this year's Staff Development Workshop, staff members of the Asia-Pacific office unanimously agreed on the topic "Wholistic Wellness Seminar". It will be a two-and-a-half day seminar with the objective of promoting wellness for company productivity, and improved health and well-being of employees. The seminar will take place during the weekend of 24-26 August in Laguna province, south of Manila.

### Regional Scout Conference participation Update

Registration of participants to the Regional Scout Conference in October in Japan have been received from 20 countries, with a total of 317 delegates, observers, and accompanying persons.

### Update on Outstanding Scouts and Poster Competition

As special events at the conference, nominations have been received from seven countries for the APR Outstanding Scouts Award and from five countries for the poster competition.

## What's Upcoming

### ICT Workshop in Malaysia

The upcoming ICT workshop will integrate various aspects of Scouting operations, i.e. youth programme, membership database, branding and communications, and marketing.

The workshop will take place on 5-9 September in Malaysia. More details will be sent to all NSOs and participants by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August.

## You're Invited

### International Centenary COMDECA (Community Development Camp), Bangladesh

Who	Scouts aged 14-17 years old and Rover Scouts aged 18-25 years old
Host	Bangladesh Scouts
Where	Cox'bazar, Bangladesh (about 500 kilometers southeast of Dhaka)
When	7-13 December 2007
Fee	US\$150 covers tent accommodation, food, inland transportation (airport to venue), souvenir and tour

### For details of events

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## Be Prepared

### 22<sup>nd</sup> APR Scout Conference

Where National Olympics Memorial Youth Center (NYC)  
Tokyo, Japan  
When 18-23 October 2007  
Fee Delegates and Observers US\$320  
Accompanying persons US\$220  
Youth Delegates/Observers US\$140

### 5<sup>th</sup> APR Youth Forum

Where National Olympics Memorial Youth Center (NYC)  
Tokyo, Japan  
When 12-15 October 2007  
Fee US\$100 to cover materials, accommodation, food  
inland transportation and souvenirs  
Youth Forum participants who will attend the Regional  
Conference need to add U\$100 as registration fee.  
This additional fee does not include food and  
accommodation during the conference.

### APR Course for Leader Trainers

Where National Olympics Memorial Youth Center (NYC)  
Tokyo, Japan  
When 10-16 October 2007  
Fee US\$150 to cover accommodation, food, materials,  
inland transportation and souvenirs  
Participants who will attend the regional conference  
will have to register separately and pay the conference  
registration fee as part of their NSO delegation  
(delegate or observer)

To date, applications have been received from Singapore, Hong Kong, Bangladesh and French Polynesia for the APR CLT in Japan. Regional team for CLT staff will consist of Australia, Bangladesh, Korea, Japan, Sri Lanka, Philippines and India.

### 18<sup>th</sup> New Zealand Jamboree

Where Canterbury Agricultural Park, Christchurch,  
South Island, New Zealand  
When 28 December 2007 – 5 January 2008  
Fee NZD\$590 covers meals and activities  
Website [www.scout.org.nz](http://www.scout.org.nz)