

**AUGUST 2008**

## What's New

### Youth Advisors elected at World Youth Forum

At the 10<sup>th</sup> World Youth Forum held recently in Jeju Island, Korea, six participants – four women and two men – were elected as Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee for the period 2008-2011. Elected members are:

Ms Karin Ahlbäck, Finland  
Mr Jaemin Choi, Korea  
Mr Kevin Li, Canada  
Ms Nadia Soledad Morrone, Argentina  
Ms Milena Pecarski, Serbia  
Ms Fernanda Cristina Santos Soares, Brazil

Many young people from 19 member-countries in the Asia Pacific Region (APR), out of total 24, were represented at the forum. Elected youth adviser, Jaemin Choi of Korea, could now stand for them at world level. Participants from APR showed their spirit of unity throughout the event. Before saying goodbye, they met to discuss, share, and sum up their learning.

### World Scouting grows to 160 NSOs

The 38<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference held in Jeju Island, Korea welcomed four new members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM): National Association of Cambodian Scouts (NACS); Association of Scouts of Montenegro; Scouts of Syria; National Organization of Scouts of Ukraine (NOSU). WOSM has now 160 NSOs.

A total of 150 national Scout organizations were represented at the conference, including the complete attendance of 24 member countries and two associate members of APR.

### New world committee members elected

Two candidates from APR, Mr Eric Khoo and Mr Simon Rhee, were among the six people elected to the World Scout Committee to serve for six years. The new members are:

Mr Eric Khoo Heng-Pheng, Malaysia  
Mr Wahid Labidi, Tunisia  
Mr John May, United Kingdom  
Mr John Neysmith, Canada  
Mr Oscar Palmquist, Brazil  
Mr Simon Rhee, Korea

Mr William "Rick" F. Cronk of USA was elected for a 3-year term.

The 12-member World Scout Committee elected from among themselves Mr Cronk as the new Chairman, with Mr Mario Diaz Martinez (Spain) and Mr Simon Rhee (Korea) as the vice-chairmen.

### APR leaders awarded the Bronze Wolf

The Bronze Wolf, the only award of the World Scout Committee, was presented to prominent Scout leaders from the Asia Pacific Region. Mr Lalit Mohan Jain (India) and Mr Yongyudh Vajaradul (Thailand) received the award at the conference. During the triennium, other awardees were His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand, Neil Westaway (Australia), Mr Toby Suzuki (Japan), and Ms Kirsty M Brown (Australia).

### World Jamboree 2015 goes to...

The Scout Association of Japan was chosen by the World Scout Conference to host the World Scout Jamboree in 2015. The Jamboree will be at the beautiful Kirarahama or Kirara Beach in Yamaguchi Prefecture. Singapore Scouts Association, the other strong contender, made an impressive and stirring presentation.

## 2008 EVENTS

### CSPSA Meeting

French Polynesia  
27 July – 01 August

### 10<sup>th</sup> Nippon Agoonoree

Japan, 31 July – 5 August

### Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia Centenary Jamboree

01 August

### Basic Management Course, Indonesia

August

### APR Air Internet Jamboree

02-03 August

### CNV Mission

Brunei Darussalam  
5-6 August

### 12<sup>th</sup> National Scout Jamboree

Republic of Korea  
6-11 August

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Preparatory/Youth Forum Planning Meeting

Malaysia, 16-17 August

### Third IUMS Peace Jamboree

18-24 August  
Malaysia

### CNV Mission

29 September –  
1 October  
Thailand

### 51<sup>st</sup> World Scout JOTA/JOTI

18-19 October

### 6<sup>th</sup> SAF Scout Camp

Bangladesh  
12-18 October

### Southeast Asian Scout Jamboree,

19-29 October  
Indonesia

### Course for Leader Trainers, 26-30

November, Singapore

### **Regional Chairman hosts APR Reception**

As the host region of the conference, Regional Chairman Jejomar Binay initiated to gather in one place Regional Scout Committees of all six regions and world Scouting leaders. Committee members from Africa, Arab, Asia-Pacific, Eurasia, Europe and Inter-america attended the reception on 13 July at the Hyatt Regency. The purpose was to renew acquaintances and promote inter-regional goodwill.

### **Joint Meeting of Heads of Delegates and Regional Committee**

On 14 July morning, heads of delegations and the Regional Scout Committee met at Jeju's International Conference Center. The meeting stressed on governance issues and proposed resolutions moderated by Mr Alex Wong, Chairman of APR Governance Review Task Force.

Chairman Binay gave an overview of important elements of the conference and appealed for greater intervention of delegates in the business of world Scouting. He encouraged everyone's active participation in the various workshops and plenary deliberations.

Another Regional Scout Committee meeting followed on 16 July, to decide various operational matters, including the:

- appointment of a new Awards Committee
- approval of the Emerging Scout Nations Task Force
- designation of Korea Scout Association to host the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Jamboree
- approval of Summit dates from 1-4 March 2009 in Nepal, with Thailand and Pakistan as alternative venues
- organizing sub-committee meetings and a half-day PR seminar in conjunction with the Summit
- approval of the Suncheon Scout Centre in Korea as "The Suncheon Asia-Pacific Scout Centre"

The Regional Committee will hold its next meeting in Macau in October this year.

### **Asia-Pacific Region concludes... 38<sup>th</sup> World Conference a great success**

At the final meeting on 18 July by the Regional Scout Committee and heads of delegations, a consensus was made on the great success of the 38<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference. On behalf of the region, the Chairman sent a letter of appreciation to Korea Scout Association for demonstrating a high level of professionalism and upholding Asian hospitality in the conduct of the conference.

### **Adult Resources Sub-Committee reviews objectives**

With the presence of majority of adult sub-committee members in Jeju, a meeting was arranged on 15 July. The sub-committee reviewed the assignment of individual members, the implementation of the Tokyo Regional Conference in relation to adult resources, and reviewed the action steps of the "Volunteers in Scouting" priority in the regional plan.

The sub-committee also discussed the recommendations of the NTC gathering and Adult Resources Management seminar recently organized in Taiwan. Chairman Reiko Suzuki chaired the meeting.

### **Foundation Management Committee study financial possibilities**

The Foundation Management Committee (FMC), during its meeting in Jeju, reviewed the status of the fund-raising targets allocated to national Scout organizations, to raise collectively the amount of US\$150,000 by 2009. Chairman Binay made a commitment to organize a foundation dinner in Makati City, Philippines.

The FMC decided to study the Articles of Incorporation at their next meeting in Malaysia on 11-12 October. FMC chairman Eric Khoo, John Hui, Simon Rhee, Paulus Tjakrawan Taningjaja, Osamu Hirose, Horace Ho and Abdullah Rasheed were in attendance.

### **Japan hosts International Environment Forum**

Some 120 participants from 90 countries gathered in Tokyo, Japan on 20-21 July mainly to address the issue on environment and global warming. All six regions were represented: Africa, Arab, Asia-Pacific, Inter America, Eurasia and Europe, as well as nine countries from the Asia Pacific Region: Bangladesh, Fiji, French Polynesia Kiribati, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines and Sri Lanka.

### **For details of events**

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Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed was the keynote speaker. He stressed that his own country, the Maldives, faces the effects of global warming and the threat of disappearance if critical environmental issues are not addressed.

Participants made a four-point declaration to conclude the forum focusing on important issues affecting our planet, and the proactive steps that need to be taken to tackle them.

### **South Pacific NSOs gather in French Polynesia**

The Council of South Pacific Scout Associations (CSPSA) held its fourth meeting on 28 July in Papeete, French Polynesia. The Minister of Youth and Sports of French Polynesia, Clarentz Vernaudon, opened the Forum and expressed his continuous support to Scouting.

The forum meets every two years to review the progress of Scouting in the South Pacific rim. They elected Iteni Helu of Tonga and Sere Kala of PNG as the CSPSA Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively, and agreed to hold the next CSPSA meeting in Tonga in July 2010.

Chief Commissioners from seven Countries attended the forum: John Naisau (Deputy Chief Commissioner) from Fiji; Roger Colot from New Caledonia; Sere Kala from Papua New Guinea; Leone Revault from Polynesia; ,Sosene Anesi from Samoa; Iteni Helu from Tonga and Kalme Vocor from Vanuatu. CSPSA Vice-Chairman Dominique Pastor from Polynesia Scout Council chaired the Forum.

APR Scout Committee Member & Chief Commissioner, Australia John G. Ravenhall, International Commissioner New Zealand George Fairbairn, International Director France Christian Larcher attended as observers. World Scout Bureau/Asia-Pacific Regional office facilitated the Forum.

### **Management Workshop for CSPSA**

Following the CSPSA Forum, four days Management Workshop on 29 July to 1 August was organized to discuss, share and build capacities in youth program, adult resources, strategic management, constitution and organization, and resources development. Each association drafted their vision statement that is mostly targeted to strengthen the organization and increase membership.

### **Street Children in Manila join Ticket to Life**

Seventeen girls and boys living in the streets of Manila have joined the Scout Movement under the Ticket To Life program. This is one of the two Scouting units of street children run by the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP). The other unit is in Zamboanga in southern Philippines.

On 5 July, all 17 children were invested, with Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed as guest. The children meet regularly at a livelihood building owned by a Catholic Parish. They are coordinated by Ms Sophie Castillo of the BSP.

Under the Ticket to Life program, there are currently over 760 Scouts, both girls and boys, enjoying the Scouting programme in Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Mongolia, Pakistan, Philippines and Sri Lanka.

### **SAF continues to support Scout Friendship Camp**

The South Asia Foundation (SAF), main sponsor of the SAF Scout Friendship Camp held every year in South Asia, supports the travel costs of a specific number of Scouts, both boys and girls, from the SAARC area. The grant is courtesy of Mr Madanjeet Singh of SAF. SAARC covers Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. This year's 6<sup>th</sup> SAF Scout Friendship Camp will be held on 12-18 October in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

## **What's On-Going**

### **Committee NSO Visit**

Who	Regional Scout Committee
Where	Begawan, Brunei Darussalam
When	19-21 August 2008

### **National Program Development Workshop**

Who Volunteer of professional Scout leaders involved in youth programme Development  
Where Cibubur, Jakarta, Indonesia  
When 21-24 August 2008

### **APR Programme Sub-Committee Meeting**

Who Members of APR Programme Sub-Committee  
Where Cibubur, Jakarta, Indonesia  
When 25-26 August 2008

## **Be Prepared**

### **47<sup>th</sup> APR Basic Management Course, Indonesia**

Who Professional Scout Executives at national and sub-national level. Potential Professional Scouters  
Where Cibubur Scout Camp, Jakarta, Indonesia  
When 27 August – 10 September 2008  
Fee US\$150 to cover inland transportation, food, accommodation, course materials and educational tour.

### **National Workshop on Building Financial Capabilities**

Who Key Volunteers or Professionals responsible for financial management and resource mobilization  
Where Bharat Scouts & Guides NHQ, New Delhi, India  
When 19-22 September 2008  
Fee Inland transportation, food and accommodation, souvenirs and documents

### **APR Workshop on Training Methods & Techniques**

Who Volunteers or professionals involved in adult resources and training  
Where Vajiravudh Scout Camp, Thailand  
When 22-25 September 2008  
Fee US\$100

### **Course for Leader Trainers, Singapore**

Who Assistant Leader Trainers  
Where Sands Training Institute of Singapore  
When 26-30 November 2008  
Fee SGD400 covers inland transfer, food, accommodation, course requisites and documents

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