

## SEPTEMBER 2008

### What's New

#### **APR Air Internet Jamboree creates greater awareness**

Around 1,000 Scouts and Rovers from 52 countries joined the APR Air Internet Jamboree held on 2-3 August hosted by Bangladesh Scouts. Air Internet Jamboree is a regional event organized on the first weekend of August of every year and this has been going on for the past five years.

Among this year's participants, 65% were from Bangladesh and 35% from many countries in the Asia-Pacific Region, Europe, Inter-America and Eurasia. In Bangladesh, Scouts and Rovers joined from 12 different locations.

"This Jamboree could create an awareness for ICT not only among the Scouts and Rovers, but also the professional (staff) who were reluctant to use ICT facilities. It could integrate the non-Scouts community to our Scouting activities," says Md. Jamal Uddin Sikder of Bangladesh who coordinated the event. "Printing of own certificate of participation from the web was one of the main attractions", he added.

#### **Scouting and FIFA share a common goal**

The Oceania Football Confederation of FIFA and the Council of South Pacific Scout Associations (CSPSA) have initiated negotiations to enter a Memorandum of Understanding on a partnership that would contribute to sustaining development in the Pacific.

The Pacific youth, from 8 to 18 years old, is the priority target audience of this joint initiative. The primary goal is to enhance the Pacific Island communities by using football and Scouting as key development tools for the education, development and empowerment of young people. Both Scouting and FIFA share a lot of common ideals and goals. To begin with, the claims are alike "FIFA, for a better world" and "Scouts, creating a better world".

#### **3rd IUMS International Peace Jamboree held in Malaysia**

Scouts from several countries gathered in Malaysia from 18th to 24th August for the 3rd IUMS International Peace Jamboree. Coinciding with the 100 years of Scouting in Malaysia, Prime Minister Badawi graced the opening with an inspiring message before he released the pigeons, the symbol of peace.

Situated at the western coast of Malaysia, the Melaka Scout Camp became the campsite of over 400 participants from Egypt, Indonesia, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

Prominent Scout leaders in attendance were World Scout Committee (WSC) member Eric Khoo, former WSC member Habibul Alam, Regional Scout Committee member Dr Mohd Mukhyuddin, Persekutuan Pengakap Negara Brunei Darussalam President Mr Pehin Dato Ali Mohd Daud, and Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed, among others.

IUMS Secretary General Dr Zuhair Ghunaim and Deputy Secretary General Hussain Sahal were at the helm of the Jamboree, with members of the IUMS Executive Committee from Malaysia and from other countries to give support.

The last two IUMS Peace Jamborees were held in Turkey in 2004 and in Sweden in 2006. Switzerland is proposed to be the next host in 2010.

#### **CNV Mission Brunei Darussalam**

A fast track two-day meeting between the Regional Scout Committee and Persekutuan Pengakap Negara Brunei Darussalam (PPNBD) was held on 19-20 August at the Scout headquarters building in Brunei Darussalam. Chairman Jejomar Binay co-presided the

### 2008 EVENTS

#### **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

#### **Regional Scout Committee Meeting**

Macau  
18-19 October

#### **Southeast Asian Scout Jamboree,**

18-26 October  
Indonesia

#### **Course for Leader Trainers**

Indonesia  
13-19 November

### For details of events

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meeting with PPNBD President Pehin Dato Hj Ali and Chief Scout Pehin Dato Hj Hussin, with RSC member Prakorb Mukura and Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed.

Key leaders in Brunei Darussalam participated in the discussions of key performance areas. Substantial conclusions and observations were captured in the final recommendations paper agreed upon at the session finale.

### **Scouts bring relief to flood victims**

Scouts in Nepal are collecting goods and funds to help displaced flood victims. Around 40,000 people in Shripur, Haripur, Pashchim Kusaha and Pashchim Laukahi were displaced and are now occupying schools and religious institutions.

Nepal Scouts Chief Commissioner Shree Ram Lamichhane visited the affected places. Scout teams were formed to collect relief goods to be delivered in coordination with the Prime Minister Natural Disaster Relief Trust.

### **Clean Up the World**

The Asia Pacific Region, through the initiative of the Scouting Profile Sub-Committee chose the *Clean Up the World* campaign as a partnership project for Scouts in the Asia Pacific Region. *Clean Up the World* initiatives for this year will be on 19-21 September 2008.

The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) has engaged in an Allies Partnership for the 2008 campaign with *Clean Up the World* to further enhance our commitment for environmental education and positive action for the environment. Scouts have been involved in *Clean Up the World* since its inception 16 years ago, joining an estimated 35 million volunteers from more than 110 countries annually.

This year, the Asia-Pacific Region supports a more synchronized, collective and documented action of Scouts to clean up their communities or form partnerships. For details, see regional circular at [www.scout.or/asia-pacific](http://www.scout.or/asia-pacific) under Resource Center/Circulars or visit [www.cleanuptheworld.org](http://www.cleanuptheworld.org).

### **Indonesia to revitalize youth programme**

The National Youth Programme Development Workshop was held from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August at the National Training Center in Cibubur, Indonesia. This is one of the practical moves to infuse more vitality to Gerakan Pramuka Indonesia, one of the world's largest Scout organizations with 8 million members.

Highlights of the workshop were the World Programme Policy and the eight steps to programme development based on the Renewed Approach to Programme. A combination of 19 commissioners and young people from various parts of the country participated. Gerakan Pramuka Secretary General Dr Joedyaningsih graced the opening.

The workshop was under the Programme Sub-Committee's responsibility with Chairman Alfian Amura as workshop director and Ms Julie Creed, Vice-Chairperson, as resource speaker. Syd Castillo also joined as support from the APR office.

### **Cibubur Scout camp hosts APR meetings**

**Programme sub-committee.** The sub-committee met on 25-26 August with majority of members present: Alfian Amura (Indonesia), Julie Creed (Australia), Dr Jeffrey Ho Kai Kwong (Singapore), Joseph Yee Leung Lau (Korea), Rajalingam Ramasamy (Malaysia), José Eduardo Delgado (Philippines), Prapatpong Senarith (Thailand) and Nikketah McGrath (Australia). The Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed and Syd Castillo represented the World Scout Bureau.

The meeting was an opportunity to review the youth priority objectives for 2007~2009 and assign tasks for the remainder of their term until 2009. They also looked into the implementation of the youth-related resolutions of the 22nd APR Scout Conference.

**Management Sub-Committee.** Towards end of August, the Management Sub-Committee chaired by Chandrasena Batuwangala met for two days. Members reviewed their achievements based on the current two-year plan and analysed the focal areas for 2009-2012. Major focal areas: support to NSOs as a well-managed organization, extending Scouting to non-member countries, managing Scout events, among others.

The sub-committee is bent on completing the guidelines for membership registration system, risk management and disaster management.

In attendance were Vice Chairman Mari Nakano (Japan), Advisor Prakorb Mukura (Thailand), Emma Barker (Australia), Haji Radzwan (Malaysia), Berthold Sinaulan (Indonesia), Young Adult Member Muller Bato (Philippines) with the support of Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed and S Prassanna from APR office.

#### **Scout executives undertake management course**

A major re-orientation of full time Scout executives is now taking place at the Cibubur Scout Camp in Jakarta, Indonesia that started on 27<sup>th</sup> August and will end on 10<sup>th</sup> September. There are 36 participants from the Philippines, India, Pakistan, Thailand, Mongolia, Hong Kong, Papua New Guinea, Sri Lanka and Indonesia.

The 47<sup>th</sup> APR Management Course for Professional Scout Executives is organized by the APR office in collaboration with Gerakan Pramuka. The aim is to create a better understanding of the professional Scout service, and in general, to train Scout leaders in managing a Scout organization.

Dr. Prof. Azrul Azwar, Chairman of Gerakan Pramuka opened the course with a gong ceremony. Resource persons are Dr. Effendy Bin Rajab from Singapore, Dr. Mak Wai-Ming from Hong Kong, Mr Joko Murshito of Indonesia as course director, with the support of Jeff Benson of Scouts Canada. Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed and Director S Prassanna are facilitating the course.

#### **12th Korea Jamboree gathers 35 countries**

Around 10,000 participants from 35 countries were at the 12<sup>th</sup> Korea Jamboree held at the World Jamboree site in Mt Sorak in Gangwon-do on the 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> August. Participants who were inclined to water activities were taken to a nearby beach where they enjoyed swimming, rafting and water slide. The Global Village encouraged creativity and friendship through activities entitled "Fun with Crayons" and "Jamboree Friendship Award". The Scouts also experienced the wonders of magic with the expertise of a Korean magician.

#### **Malaysia releases commemorative stamp**

As part of the centenary celebration of Scouting in Malaysia, the Scout association, in collaboration with the Malaysia Postal Authorities released a set of commemorative stamps on 14 August.

Deputy Youth Minister YB Wee Jeck Seng graced the occasion held at the Scout headquarters in the presence of Chief Scout Haji Shafie, WSC member Eric Khoo and Secretary General Zaki Nurud-din. A set consists of three stamps, one design of 30 cents and two designs of 50 cents. The three sets, designed by Zonice Rovers, demonstrate the beginning of Scouting in 1908, the years of growth from 1957 - 1987, and today's Scouting from 1988-2008.

#### **Indonesian award bestowed on Asia-Pacific Scout Leaders**

Gerakan Pramuka bestowed awards on Asia-Pacific scout leaders on the occasion of 47<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Gerakan Pramuka's national ceremony led by the President of the Republic of Indonesia, Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, who is also the Chief Scout. The ceremony was held at National Scout Training Centre, Cibubur, Jakarta, on 14 August.

Regional Chairman Jejomar Binay and Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed were among 22 persons who received the award from the Chief Scout. Other awardees of the Lencana Melati were Pehin Dato Seri Paduka Awang Mohd Ali Daud of Brunei Darussalam, and Malaysian leaders Haji Yaacob bin Haji A Karim and Haji Abdul Kader bin Haji Md Noor.

In his message, the President asked the Scout leaders to maintain the good management of Gerakan Pramuka and strengthen the school-based troops while building more Scouting in the communities.

#### **Fiji Scouts elect new President**

At the Annual General Meeting of Fiji Scouts Association on 23<sup>rd</sup> August in Suva, Mr. Sanjeev Pal was elected President of the association. Mr Pal is the Managing Director of Hunts Travel Service Ltd and Quest Serviced Apartments Suva Limited.

Pal emphasized the need for immediate action to upgrade the Fiji Scouts' real estate properties, to revive membership so that Fiji could re-establish its stature in the society.

### **APES Gathering in Thailand**

Members of the Asia Pacific Evergreen Scouts (APES) are invited to gather in Thailand on 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> December 2008. The gathering will be in Phang-nga Province and Phuket. Some of the main highlights include witnessing the grand opening of the 15th Goodwill Camporee and the Tsunami Scout Centre at Don Bosco House in Panga Province.

### **ASEF invite young people to meet in Madrid**

Invitation is extended for the 11th Asia-Europe Young Leaders Symposium – First Asia-Europe Young Urban Leaders Dialogue, which will take place from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2008, in Madrid, Spain.

The project is co-organised by the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) and Madrid Global - International Strategy and Action Office of Madrid's City Council.

The dialogue will bring together up to 50 motivated young urban leaders, forward looking professionals, belonging to or whose field of expertise is based in capital or major cities and/or regions of ASEM member countries. They must be between 24 and 40 years old, citizens of one of the ASEM partner countries and excel in the fields of public administration, the corporate world, the academic, artistic, political arena or media. They must be decisive in their perspective areas of action, and have the capacity to share their experiences. Fluency in English is essential. For more information, visit the website <http://www.asef.org>

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

### **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

### **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

## **What's Up-Coming**

### **CNV Mission - Thailand**

Who Regional Scout Committee and key leaders of the National Scout Organization of Thailand  
Where Bangkok, Thailand  
When 29 September – 01 October 2008

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When 18-26 October 2008  
Camp Fee US\$150

## Be Prepared

### Course for Leader Trainers, Indonesia

Who Assistant Leader Trainers  
Where Cibubur Scout Camp, Jakarta, Indonesia  
When 13-19 November 2008  
Fee USD 100 covers inland transfer, food, accommodation, course requisites and documents

### 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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