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United Kingdom Section

R. I. B. I. Conference Edition.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
United Kingdom Section : I.F.F.R.

Notice is hereby given to all members that the next Annual General Meeting will be held at the offices of Interair Aviation, North Side, Bournemouth International Airport (Hurn), on Sunday 3rd June 1990 at 3.00 pm. (15.00hrs) Nominations for Office, and Resolutions for consideration should be sent to the Secretary in writing to arrive not later than 3 days before that date

A G E N D A

1. To receive and approve the Reports for the year ended 30th September 1989
2. To receive & approve the Accounts for 1989 published in the Winter Edition of 'The Rotating Beacon'
3. To receive and approve the current membership & financial report from the Secretary/Treasurer
4. To determine the annual subscription for the year 1991. (Proposed by the Treasurer: £7.50 + the International Sub total not exceeding £15)
5. To elect the following Officers for the Section :
 - (a) Chairman
 - (b) Secretary/Treasurer
 - (c) European Liaison Officer
 - (d) Bulletin Editor
6. To determine the approximate date of the next AGM
7. To consider comments received on the Programme of Events & Bulletin
8. Any other competent business

John D. Ritchie : Secretary

NOTE : For those attending by air please ask ATC on landing for taxi instructions for the North Side, where Landing fees can be paid to Interair Aviation and parking is available. For those coming by road please note that there is NO ENTRY from Hurn airport, but only by the River Gate entrance from Matchams Lane, on the east side of the airport.

R. I. B. I. CONFERENCE

Please note that the IFFR AGM is being held this year immediately after the end of the Conference. IFFR will be represented there by a stall in the House of Friendship and a Visual Presentation by the Chairman in conjunction with other World Fellowship Activity Groups. PLEASE make every effort to attend at least part of the Conference this year in support of IFFR member President Len Smith and your hard working Committee.

"KISS ME KATE !" or "We opened in Venice...."

The words of the lyric from this famous Musical well illustrate the appealing nature of the Italian Section Annual Assembly to be held on June 15-17 and to be followed by an optional Mini Tour for the next four days. Those who attended the 1989 Meeting at Varese will recall the superb venue and lavish hospitality of our hosts - this year promises even more !

The event will start at Perugia, midway between Florence & Rome, and served by an IFR equipped airport with Customs and duty-free fuel. After a buffet lunch a multilingual tour of the City will be followed by a municipal reception and Gala Dinner at the Relais San Clemente, a luxurious Hotel & Restaurant created from a Medieval Villa and converted to 4 star standards. This will be our base for the weekend.

On Sunday morning a guided tour of Assisi will precede lunch and then our departure for Elba. There sun swimming and sightseeing will occupy the Monday until the evening reception and dinner hosted by Elba Rotary Club. On Tuesday afternoon another short sea crossing will take us to Calvi in Corsica, where on Wednesday morning there will be a Boat Trip to the National Park of Girolata, before another Gala Dinner that evening. On Thursday the party will disperse, calling at Cannes for a final meal for those whose constitution (and considerations of weight & balance) will permit. Of course, those who under business pressures can resist the siren song of the next port-of-call may break off at their chosen point, so long as Carlo Vanoni the co-ordinator has amply warning of your intentions.

Cost ? Why ask - You will always regret it if you abstain on this ground alone. But since you ask :

PERUGIA-ASSISI WEEKEND : Per person : Saturday am to Sunday afternoon :
(1 night, breakfast, 3 meals, transportation, guides etc)
Double room : 250,000 lire (c. £125) Single room : 290,000 lire (c. £145)
Early Birds and Late Leavers (Monday Departures)
(1 extra night, breakfast & dinner) : Per head :
Double room 110,000 (About £55) : Single room 150,000 (About £75)
No costings have been given for the subsequent days of the Mini Tour

A deposit of 100,000 per person - totally refundable for cancellations up to June 10th - or Credit Card Booking is essential. Book by FAX through Carlo Vanoni confirmed with a Eurocheque for 100,000 lire per person, or by FAX direct with the hotel by Credit Card, giving in each case your name, address, arrival and departure dates, and stating to Carlo whether or not you will be going on to Elba and/or Corsica so that he can arrange affairs.

BOOKING PARTICULARS

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All enquiries to the above named only, please.

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HOW SO FEW ENJOYED A FABULOUS IFFR FLY-IN
contributed by Graeme le Quesne

Perhaps it was the weather at the last minute, perhaps it was the distance, perhaps it was the change of date, but it was certainly a pity that so many IFFR members missed the opportunity to share in an International Fly-in which more than lived up to the traditions of fun and fellowship established over the years by older Sections than our German friends.

Centered in the Arabella Airport Hotel, which was a surprisingly calm and peaceful oasis in the airport complex at Dusseldorf, Winfried Aufterbeck and his family had laid on a programme that left nothing out. Airborne arrivals were encouraged at nearby Monchengladbach on Friday, (although some had chosen to arrive earlier and make a holiday before the fly-in), and surface transport took guests to the hotel to prepare for a reception at Deutsch Bank. A chance to meet the other participants and to enjoy a gourmet meal in the Bank's own elegant dining room.

Saturday started on the coach at 09.15 to visit the new shopping mall KO-GALERIE where a talk of introduction and explanation of the thought and principles behind its creation was given by the architect and developer Walter Brune, before a guided tour of the more interesting aspects of its activity, from basement supermarket to roof top swimming pool, solarium, and health & fitness centre complete with rubberised surface jogging track.

An excellent lunch was waiting at the Airport, courtesy of HAPAG-LLOYD, and its Chairman IFFR Dieter Ulken, preceded by a most interesting presentation of the Company's growth as freight handlers and airline operators by the Dusseldorf Station Manager. Under the guidance of the Director of Rhine-Ruhr-Airport Dusseldorf, IFFR Bernd Rietdorf we were then treated to a full tour of the Airport itself - from its emergence as an International Airport to the plans for development, and a view of its operation including a demonstration by the Fire Service.

There was time for a well deserved rest and relaxation before the Gala Dinner at the official residence of the State President (a Rotarian of course) where we were joined briefly and most warmly welcomed by the District Governor. A superb dinner was served during the evening interspersed with the thanks and official greetings from the representatives of Switzerland, Italy, U.K. and Jersey, and messages of apology and good wishes received from those unable to attend including Jean Recullet. (The French section - Belgian branch helicopter division - had made attendance on Friday but other prior commitments had required an early departure). The evening was rounded off with an American Auction (if you don't know what that is I'll tell you some other time) in aid of Rotary Foundation, and proved to be a hilarious way of raising over 1200 DM for a collection of worldwide Rotary stamps and Philatelic covers. We got to bed just before 02.00, or it may have been later but who was counting ?

Not many were therefore available for the 09.30 departure for a city tour, to take in the signal tower and the Verige brewery, before a vin d'honneur and snack lunch reception by Lufthansa. It was then nearly 48 hours into the fly-in

and past experience has shown that there are limits to the constitution of even the staunchest IFFR member. Such was the case in Dusseldorf, and our thanks and congratulations go to the Aufferbeck family team and their Rotarian colleagues for having "done us proud".

It was a Rotary weekend of friendship, fellowship and fun. If you were not there why not make an effort for the next one in Italy - Perugia June 15-17 plus optional extras in Elba, Corsica & Cannes. See details on the other pages.

Author's footnote :
Don't think that just because Irwin Rodgers wasn't there that everyone's plans went smoothly !
G-BEYL took 4,25 hours to eventually find somewhere with more than 800m visibility to land in Lille on Friday afternoon. A hire car got us to Dusseldorf by 21,45. To round out the fun we had to return it to Lille on Sunday - luckily leaving early morning to give time for the return to Jersey via Luton. Extra time was needed to cope with the effects of Comms failure over S. England and a Code 7600 "blind" landing at Southampton. Eventually landing in Jersey at 20,45 with Special VFR in 2800m - (Well two diversions in one weekend are bad luck - three would have been a !!) My thanks therefore to Charles Strasser & Mike Liston for telling me most of what actually happened in Dusseldorf that weekend. (S, la Q.)

SECRETARIAL NOTES

Enclosed with this edition of the Bulletin you will find the latest edition of IFFR World Bulletin and the International Membership Directory received from USA. Please forgive us if your details are omitted from the Directory if you have joined the U.K. Section or renewed your subscription since February. Every effort is made to provide the International Secretary who is responsible for production of the Directory with current information on membership, but with a printers cut-off date of April 1st, a substantial number of new members and more than 25% of subs received since 5th March omissions are inevitable. Next year if you pay by early February this problem will be overcome.

U.K. Section Membership records are now kept on a domestic data base. If you require a copy of your entry the Treasurer will be happy to provide it (and make any amendments) on receipt of an S.A.E. These details will not be passed elsewhere save to the International Secretary for preparation of the World List.

Badges & Ties. At last the long-awaited pin lapel badges have arrived. Stocks of ties in both blue & wine colours are still available. Badges £1.50 Ties £3.50 Postage included - phone 0462-684941 any evening and leave an order if I am out.

Talkdown : Remember that you are expected to promote aviation as part of your IFFR membership obligation. An easy way is to give a talk to your own Club, or to a nearby one with no IFFR member, to Rotaract or Round Table (they would be fascinated), to Inner Wheel or Ladies Circle. A script to assist you can be provided on request, and for the really lazy or speechless we now have a video "Let's Go Flying" which can be made available if you will refund the postage on returning it after performance. Don't wait to be asked - every Club Speaker Finder would be delighted to have a volunteer and every satisfied listener is one person less likely to raise objections to your local flying activities.

- HELP US TO HELP YOURSELVES -

John D. Ritchie

Secretary/Treasurer

COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE FOR AVIATION

The Civil Aviation Authority, apparently as a result of Parliamentary pressure, has been asked to report of the feasibility of Compulsory Third party Insurance for Aviation. The Lawyers Flying Association wishes to present evidence to show that the risk of uninsured loss is too small in practice to justify the cost of imposing and policing such a scheme, but is hampered by lack of information about the extent of existing insurance and of any third party claims which have not been covered by insurance. To support them you are asked to complete and return the following questions in respect of any aircraft you own, operate or fly. Please give separate details for each plane you use, including gliders, balloons etc. Please return the completed form direct to Tim Scorer, Barlow Lyde & Gilbert, 7th Floor Beaufort House, 15 Botolph St. London EC3A 7NJ as soon as possible.

1. Aircraft make, type, and registration :
2. Aircraft is owner/rented/borrowed by me
3. Aircraft is on public transport/aerial work/private/permit C of A.
4. Aircraft is insured for :

A. Hull Losses	Yes/No
B. Third party/passenger liabilities	Yes/No
5. Amount insured for is :

A. Third party liabilities	£
B. Passenger liabilities	£
C. Combined single limit	£
6. Are you aware of any case involving personal injury and/or property damage caused by an aircraft that was not insured for third party/passenger liabilities ? YES/NO If so please give brief details or indicate where these may be obtained.
7. Are you aware of any case involving personal injury and/or property damage caused by an aircraft where insurance cover was denied or avoided, or compensation only partly paid out ? YES/NO If so please give brief details or indicate where these may be obtained.

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BRIEF YOUR PASSENGERS BEFORE FLYING !

The Civil Aviation Safety Group have realised that whereas Airlines give a standard briefing on emergency procedures to all passengers as a matter of course, this is often overlooked by pilots of General Aviation aircraft, notwithstanding the legal obligation to do so. The CAA has produced what we consider to be the best of their Safety Leaflets, equally valuable to pilot and passenger in considering the aspects to be explained. They have been good enough to provide a copy for each IFFR member and your copy is sent with this Bulletin. Read it and then put it in your flight bag or plane and remember to tell every passenger of his expectations and responsibilities BEFORE you fly. It is too late when the fan stops, or he feels sick. A typed briefing sheet covering most singles is available on request to me.