

MORE than 700 officers from every corner of the globe came to Britain to take part in an ambitious series of events to mark the anniversary of the world's largest police organisation – set up by a young British officer 50 years ago.

Celebrations kicked off in Scotland where 280 members of the International Police Association met for a week of events put together under the heading The Gathering of the Clans. Many then moved to the south coast and to Bournemouth where they joined around 500 members, representing almost 60 different countries for another week of celebrations based around the association's World Congress.

The event was officially opened by HRH the Princess Royal and included a Thanksgiving Service as Salisbury Cathedral and a rally organised by the British section's Camping and Caravan Group.

Members in West Mercia then played host to colleagues from Hungary, Lithuania, Greece, Germany and Brazil during their own friendship week. The celebrations were a major milestone for Arthur Troop who, as a Lincolnshire police sergeant, founded the association just after the Second World War as a way of developing closer links, both professionally and personally, between police officers in different countries.

From its first meeting in a British Transport railway shed fifty years ago, it is now the world's biggest police organisation with more than 300,000 members in 60 different countries all over the world.

Arthur had only come out of hospital weeks before the World Congress from his latest treatment in an

ongoing battle with cancer. He said the Golden Jubilee celebration was an event he had been determined to attend whatever.

"I'm proud to have lived to have seen the first 50 years," he said. "I doubt whether I will still be around to see the centenary, but I will

be here in spirit. Many people have worked hard to make this dream come true and long may that dream continue."





# WARM ROYAL PRAISE FOR IPA VISION OF POLICING AND FRIENDSHIP

HRH The Princess Royal had strong praise for the work of the International Police Association when she officially opened its World Congress in Bournemouth.

Before an audience of around 500 members, representing forces from every continent, The Princess said the formation of the association had been "a serious achievement".

"It is a pleasure for me as someone from the outside to say thankyou to all those people who commit themsclves to policing around the world," she said.

"Police officers everywhere need the support of each other and friendship is so important a part of any service. I'm sure that if this organisation didn't exist now, someone would have to invent it."

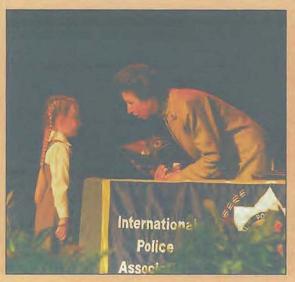
The Princess was greeted as she arrived at the -Bournemouth International Centre by a line-up of officers representing forces from every continent. She was formally greeted by the Mayor of Bournemouth before being introduced to national president David Read and his wife Sue, International Secretary General Alan Carter and his wife and International President Armand Jaminet. The Princess then had a long chat with the association's founder Arthur Troop and his wife Marjorie, before spending around 40 minutes chatting to delegates over lunch.

The official opening ceremony was launched with a fanfare from The Band, Corps of Drums and Bugles of the Devon & Cornwall Constabulary, followed by short presentations on the work of the IPA across the globe.

As patron of the Save The Children Fund she accepted a cheque for  $\pounds 15,000$  as the first instalment from the Golden Jubilee Appeal set up by the British Section which has received donations from members all over the world.

In a long speech, delivered without notes, the Princess singled out special praise for Arthur Troop.

"As a concept it was difficult to sell at first," she noted. "Arthur came through more adversity, isolation and disinterest from further up the ladder than we can ever realise. However I believe the success of this association is a serious testimony to someone who had what it takes to make the difference between just having an idea and putting it into action."



### **A LITTLE ROYAL ENGAGEMENT**

THE Day The Princess Came To Town was certainly one to remember for little Bethany Harris. The young girl had been chosen by her school in Bournemouth to present the Princess with flowers after her speech.

Speaking before her appearance on stage, Bethany said she had been looking forward to it for days but was very nervous. However afterwards, she revealed it had all been much easier than expected.

"The Princess was really nice and said thankyou very much and asked me a few questions and then I went back to my seat," she recalled.

Bethany was one of more than 100 pupils from three schools in the town invited to perform a number of songs for the Princess and audience at the opening ceremony. The pupils, had spent the morning rehearsing in the main hall and took advantage of the sunny day to line up outside the venue to greet the Princess when she arrived as well.



# SERVICE IN SALISBURY

Founder's re-dedication for IPA at world-famous cathedral

MORE than 350 members and guests took a break from the World Congress to travel to Salisbury to take part in a special service held in the city's world famous cathedral to mark the 50th anniversary of the IPA.

Many officers dressed in full uniform for the event and packed the aisles for the ecumenical Thanksgiving Service led by the Bishop of Salisbury and featuring the full choir and organ.

The service included a rededication of the association led by Arthur Troop. Afterwards he said being able to do such a thing was one of the most memorable moments of the week.

Members then gathered in the Cathedral garden and grounds for a buffet and drinks which provided the chance for more friendships to be made, for more stories to be exchanged and pictures to be taken. There was also a chance to explore the historic city before returning on a fleet of coaches back to the coast.





Top Left: Arthur Troop leads the rededication of the IPA in the Cathedral. Left: Stephen and Dianne Crockard (left and rt) with members from Denmark and Canada after the service. Bottom Left: Supt David Burgess of Dorset Police leads a line-up of members from across the world outside the Cathedral. Bottoro left: David Moore from Chester with members from Australia and the US. Below: Andy Martin, Ken and Jan Price members of the Wiltshire Branch who helped organise the event with Salisbury officer Sonia Marsh and Malmesbury section officer and member Richard Warren. Above: Richard Warren exchanges cards with Nigerian member James Gaulcrick.









# RECORD ATTENDANCE AS OFFICERS FROM ACROSS WORLD ATTEND CONGRESS

A RECORD number of countries were in attendance, as officers from every corner of the globe gathered in Bournemouth for the association's 16th World Congress.

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The Congress attracted serving officers from as far afield as Australia, Brazil, Japan and Iceland with a strong presence of officers from the former Soviet states such as Latvia, Lithuania and The Ukraine. A total of 56 countries were represented at the week-long evenr, with many turning up at the official opening dressed in their full national uniform.

The Congress elected a new Permanent Executive Bureau and International President to guide the association's work over the next three years. It also included a seminar by David Alexander, a national psychiatric expert from Aberdeen University, on how police forces should help tackle the trauma resulting from major disasters and other incidents.

Away from the Congress a packed programme of evening activities included a feast of local dancing, a youth concert and a final night ball. A concert by three of the West Country's top Male Voice Choirs also saw the World Premiere of "Peace In Our Time" – the new IPA anthem written by Exeter composer Andrew Goddard and specially commissioned by the IPA for the 50th Anniversary celebrations.

Many members of the British Section took part in individual events offering the chance to meet up with old friends and to make new contacts with officers around the world.

National president, David Read said: "The Congress was a wonderful opportunity for officers from all over the world to come together and share experiences and information. This was the aim of the association when it was set up 50 years ago and it was tremendous to see what has been achieved over the past 50 years."



The World Congress provided a unique opportunity for the IPA to grab its own headlines and raise the profile of the organisation across the country.

With the attendance of the Princess Royal and officers from across the world, as part of the British Section's marketing strategy every attempt was made to gain media interest. Television and newspaper cameras turned up for the opening ceremony and more than a dozen radio stations carried items and interviews.

In addition, newpaper coverage was gained across the UK with papers in Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and many parts of England running articles and photographs. LEFT: Two members carry out a live interview with a local radio station in Bournemouth.





Ex-National President John Owen Evans with a female officer from Germany.



The Official Line-up at the 50 Anniversary in Bournemouth Marjorie Troop looks on as HRH Princess Anne speaks to Mary Carter



Arthur and Marjorie celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary in July 2000 just four months before his deatb.



Arthur pictured at home in October 2000 during his courageous Struggle against cancer.



Arthur is visited at home by Richard Merrikin and given A Deed of Title to that small portion of land in Hungary Where the Arthur Troop Statue stands. Christmas 1999



Alan Carter on behalf of Arthur Troop takes the salute At the Passing Out Parade of the Arthur Troop Training Wing in December 2000 at the National Police College in Wellington. This was two days after Arthur passed away.



Jubilant students from the Arthur Troop Training Wing Throw their caps into the air after "passing out".

## **IN MEMORIAM**

### **ARTHUR TROOP, BEM**

## FOUNDER OF THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION



It is with great sadness and a heavy heart that we announce the death of our esteemed Founder, Arthur Troop, who died peacefully at the Sue Ryder Hospice, Peterborough, on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2000 at 4.50 p.m., following a brave fight against cancer. He was 85 years old.

Arthur is survived by Marjorie, sons Barry and Kevin, and daughter Susan. Our thoughts and condolences go out to the Troop family, who have supported and cared for Arthur so magnificently, during his illness over the past 18 months.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been finalised but we will inform you as soon as these are known. In the meantime, the family requests no telephone calls at their home at the present time. Arthur Troop was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 1914 in Lincoln, England where he spent his childhood and attended local schools. His working life began as a mechanic but quickly he found interest in other things. He studied at Ruskin College, Oxford for a diploma in Economics and Social Sciences. During this time he also made a 3-year study of Russian History. He was awarded a bursary to visit Moscow and Leningrad in 1934. Thereafter, followed a twoyear study of agriculture at Avoncroft Agricultural College in the Vale of Evesham, Worcestershire. On 19<sup>th</sup> June 1936 Arthur joined the Lincolnshire Police where he performed duties in various departments but specialised in traffic.

Shortly after the Second World War, Arthur set about the enormous task of founding a World Friendship Organisation for police officers. He had always had a great faith in people talking to each other, rather than fighting and always believed in the positive qualities of friendship. At that time, however, he was regarded as an eccentric and experienced considerable opposition from his Police Chief and the Home Office.

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The IPA was founded on 1 January 1950 under the Esperanto motto SERVO PER AMIKECO (Service Through Friendship) and Arthur Troop became the first Secretary General of the British Section. At the same time, with the help of early pioneers he worked untiringly to encourage the founding of other National Sections. In 1955, at the first International Executive Committee meeting in Paris, he became the first International Secretary General, a post he held until he stood down in 1966 for personal reasons.

Following Arthur Troop's achievement in creating what was to become the Worlds Largest Police Organisation, there was a change in the Authorities' view towards the International Police Association. In the Queen's Birthday Honours List of 1965 Arthur Troop was awarded the British Empire Medal for his work in Founding the IPA. He was later to receive many high awards from abroad. These included: an Honorary Doctorate from Canada; the Cross of Honour from the President of the Republic of Austria; and following the unveiling of the Arthur Troop statue on the great Plain of Hungary in 1998, he was presented with the 'Golden Sword of Hungary' by the State.

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As an ex-officio member of the International Committee (Permanent Executive Bureau), our Founder regularly attended international meetings, where his advice was heeded and respected. At the XI<sup>th</sup> World Congress in 1985, he became the first recipient of the Association's Gold Medal. At the 26<sup>th</sup> IEC Conference in Vienna, in 1995, Arthur was awarded the IPA World Police Prize.

Our Founder's death has come as a terrible shock to us all, especially as his good health and physical ability to deal with all situations was legendary. In spite of his serious ill-health Arthur prepared himself well for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *his* IPA. He was determined that he and Marjorie would be present in Bournemouth from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> May for the XVI World Congress and the Anniversary celebrations. No-one present will ever forget the courage and tenacity shown by our Founder, who remarkably attended the arduous plenary sessions as well as taking part in the social programme.

In his address before HRH Princess Anne in the opening ceremony, Arthur made a big impression on us all. In her reply the Princess paid tribute to "the man from Lincolnshire, for ruthlessly pursuing the arduous task of establishing the International Police Association by SERVICE THROUGH FRIENDSHIP". Her Royal Highness went on to say "Arthur Troop came through much adversity, isolation and disinterest from further up the ladder than we can ever realise". It was this tenacity and sense of purpose that kept Arthur positive and determined right up to the day of his death.

But another anniversary was yet to come – on the  $22^{nd}$  June Arthur and Marjorie were able to celebrate 60 years of marriage, their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. Family, friends, neighbours and the IPA world had remembered their special day. At an early hour greeting cards, telephone messages and flowers started to arrive at their home.

The year 2000, and especially the  $50^{th}$  Anniversary in Bournemouth, gave us all the opportunity to celebrate the founding of the IPA with Arthur. Now in the same year we mourn for him with heavy hearts. However, our Association as it grows and flourishes will be an eternal memory to Arthur – an ordinary British policeman with a dream who achieved his goals by founding the world's largest police organisation.

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Alan F Carter - International Secretary General

# ARTHUR TROOP 1914-2000 IPA FOUNDER

## A humble yet visionary man who devoted his life to the welfare of others."

IN THE days following the end of the horrific conflict that was the Second World War, a police officer in Lincolnshire had the dream of building an organsiation that would create friendships across the world.

On a cold but sunny winter's day 50 years later, people did come together from across the world to pay tribute to the man whose dream turned into a very real reality.

More than 100 members of the International Police Association joined family, friends and neighbours to say goodbye to Arthur Troop - the man who had i.\_\_\_\_\_ membership number of "1" since he founded the world's biggest friendship organisation. They were joined by Arthur's many friends from the local community and members of the Starnford Blind Club and Starnford Inner Wheel Club that he and his wife Marjorie had run for many years. For a man who had travelled to almost every corner of the world, the final journey was a short one. Around the corner from his small home in Stanford to Christ Church, the place where he regularly worshipped with his family.

At the families request the coffin was draped with the IPA flag with a single family wreath. It was carried into the church by four uniformed officers and IPA members from the Lincolnshire force. "He would have liked that very much" said one mourner.

... 'he service' opened with Arthur's favourite hymn, a rousing I Cannot Tell, and was followed with readings by David Read, president of the British Section and Michael Odysseos, the association's International President.

In a moving address, Alan Carter, International Secretary General and a close personal friend of



Arthur and his family for the past 36 years, said: "We have lost a father, husband, grandfather, innovator and leader."

"Arthur once said to me 'When I'm gone I will always be with the IPA in spirit. Please set aside a seat for me when you meet.' That'll be done."

Following cremation the ashes were to be kept until later in the month when Arthur's daughter, Susan, and her family returned to Stamford for the Christmas period. The ashes were then to be interred at a small family service in Arthur's town of birth in Lincoln.

Closing the service, the Rev Bob McKrill, parish priest and family friend told the congregation: "To have so many people here today, many whom have come so far, is a tribute to a humble yet visionary man who devoted his life to the welfare of others."









Marjorie Troop and son Kevin, remembering Arthur on the anniversary Of his death (30 November 2000) at Lincoln Crematorium in 2001.



Arthur's entry in the Book of Remembrance at Lincoln Crematorium.

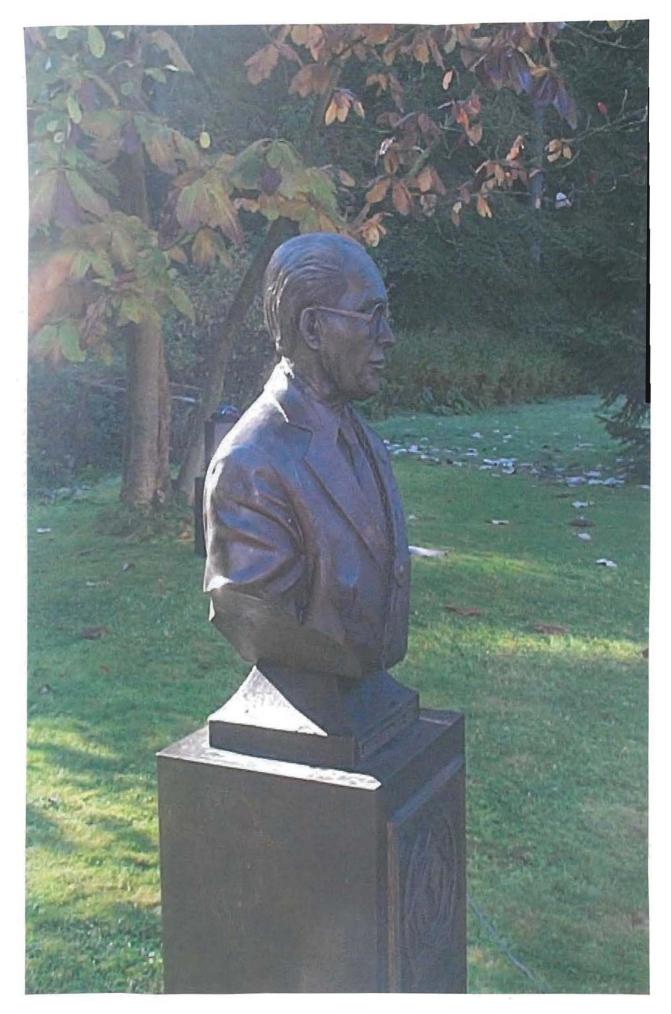


Alan Carter pictured with Marjorie Troop paying their respects To Arthur Troop at the place where his ashes are interred in the Grounds of Lincoln Crematorium on 30 November 2002.

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Unveiling and blessing of the Arthur Troop Memorial Plaque by the Bishop of Grantham in the presence of Marjorie Troop at Christ Church, Stamford on 27 July 2003.



The Arthur Troop Statue, pictured following the unveiling Ceremony in the Castle grounds.



Alan Carter, Michael Odysseos, International President, Marjorie Troop and Winrich Granitzka, Chairman of IBZ Gimborn, pictured in the grounds of Gimborn Castle.



A small book of tribute was written by Kevin Troop to honour His parents, following the death of his Mother on 3 July 2006

# MARJORIE TROOP BEST FRIENDS



## MARJORIE TROOP

1921 - 2006

Marjorie Troop passed away, aged eighty-five, at 4.15 am on 3rd July, 2006, in Peterborough District Hospifal after a painful but very brave fight against cancer.

Wife of Arthur Troop, Founder of The International Police Association, who died of the same disease in 2,000 Marjorie was often looked upon in later years as The Mother of The I.P.A.

With the death of Arthur Troop on 30 November 2000 And Marjorie Troop on 3 July 2006 a chapter in IPA History closed but the Association lives on and will grown In the years ahead as an everlasting memorial to Arthur

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PEB members Alan Carter (ISG) and Jorma Ahonen (V.P) pictures With family and friends on a trip to Botswana prior to the 31<sup>st</sup> IEC in 2002

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#### IPA WORLD CONGRESSES AND IEC CONFERENCES:

The International Executive Council (IEC) is composed of one delegate from each Section and of the Permanent Executive Bureau (PEB) who are the elected members responsible for the management of the Association. They meet every three years at an IPA World Congress and between, once a year, at an IEC Conference.

Within the framework of the working sessions, the Organising Committees for these conferences always include an International IPA Programme for Visitors. Members travel from all parts of the World to participate in these Friendship events.

#### PAST EVENTS: 1955 IWC Paris France 1956 1<sup>SI</sup> IEC Essen Germany 2<sup>nd</sup> IEC 1957 London GB 1958 II WC Antwerp Belgium 3rd IEC 1959 Naples Italy 4th IEC 1960 London GB 1961 (Extraordinary) Paris France 1961 ÌII WC Stuttgart Germany 1962 5<sup>th</sup> IEC Geneva Switzerland 6th (EC 1963 Oslo Norway 1964 IV WC Blackpool Great Britain 7<sup>th</sup> IEC 1965 Barcelona Spain 8<sup>th</sup> IEC 1966 Toronto Canada 1967 V WC Amsterdam Netherlands 9<sup>th</sup> IEC 1968 Netanya Israel 10<sup>th</sup> IEC 1969 Paris France 1970 VI WC Catania Italy 11<sup>th</sup> JEC 1971 Reykjavik Iceland 12th IEC 1972 Copenhagen Denmark VII WC 1973 Montreux Switzerland 1974 13<sup>th</sup> IEC Graz Austria 14<sup>th</sup> IEC 1975 London GB VIII WC 1976 Calgary Canada 1977 15th IEC Göteborg Sweden 16<sup>th</sup> IEC 1978 Helsinkl Finland Perugia 1979 IX WC Italy 17th IEC 1980 Dublin Ireland 18th IEC 1981 Washington USA 1982 X WC Wiesbaden Germany 19<sup>th</sup> IEC 1983 Antwerp Belgium 20<sup>th</sup> IEC 1984 Renfrew GR 1985 XI WC Paris France 21st IEC 1986 Adelaide Australia 22<sup>nd</sup> IEC 1987 Zürich Switzerland 1988 XII WC Rotterdam Netherlands 23rd IEC 1989 Monte Real Portugal XIII WC New Zealand Wellington 1991 Brazil 24<sup>th</sup> IEC Rio de Janeiro 1992 25<sup>th</sup> IEC Cyprus" Nicosla 1993 Luxembourg XIV WC Luxembourg 1994 26<sup>th</sup> IEC Austria Vienna 1995 27th IEC Australia Brisbane 1996 Canada XV WC Quebec . 1997 28th IEC Athens Greece 1998 Spain 29th IEC Menorca 1999 **Great Britain** Bournemouth XVI WC 2000 30<sup>th</sup> IEC USA Reno 2001 31<sup>sl</sup> IEC South Africa Sun City 2002 Norway XVII WC Trondheim 2003 Czech Republic 32<sup>nd</sup> IEC Brno 2004 33rd IEC Ireland Dublin 2005 Slovenia XVIII WC Ljubljana 2006 FUTURE VENUES:

2007	34 <sup>th</sup> 1EC	Balaton	Hungary
2008	35 <sup>th</sup> 1EC		Russia
2009	XIX WC		Turkey
	36 <sup>th</sup> IEC		France
2010	30 IEC		

Selected group photographs showing PEB members with National Delegates and Observers



X World Congress in Wiesbaden, Germany in 1982



X1V World Congress in Luxenbourg in 1994







26<sup>th</sup> IEC Conference in Vienna, Austria in 1995



27<sup>th</sup> IEC Conference in Brisbane, Australia in 1996



28<sup>th</sup> IEC Conference in Athens, Greece in 1998



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29<sup>th</sup> IEC Conference in Menorca, Spain in 1999



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XV111 World Congress in Ljubliana, Slovenia in 2006