



# WFIS EUROLETTER

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Dear Brother and Sisters in scouting,

The summer time is there, a lot of camps will start now and we are looking forward to meeting you and listening to stories from your camps soon.

We would like to give our warmest congratulation to De Gule Spejdere i Danmark that celebrate their 20th anniversary. We would like also to congratulate the Independent scouts association to their 15th anniversary: they held a camp with a lot of participation from the WFIS Associations.

And last... but not least we would like to congratulate the Bund Unabhängiger Pfadfinder to their 10th anniversary.

It is nice to see that our Scout associations are full with life and good scouting here in Europe.

We hope to see your leaders in October at the WFIS Workshop, held in Trieste / Italy.

Since we met last time in Denmark, the steering committee worked a lot for the WFIS Europe: we prepared a Chairmen's meeting in Switzerland, we visited the Europe camp site and worked out the agenda for the WFIS worldwide Conference that will be held next September in Canada.

I wish you and your scouts a nice summer camp time!

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## Invitation European Workshop Weekend 2004

Dear WFIS-Europe member associations,

at the general assembly in 2003 the steering committee presented ideas of a future WFIS-Europe program. The annual workshop weekend is one of this and the second workshop is going to take place in 2004 near Trieste/Italy.

**Now it is time to invite you to  
the annual  
European workshop weekend 2004.**

The purpose of this workshop is to get to know each other, to strengthen the relations in between the WFIS member associations - to have a weekend full of mutual exchanging ideas. Talking about experiences and taking ideas and impressions back home for the everyday work in your scout group as well as for you personally.

The workshop contains handicrafts as well as discussions and an excursion. As we want to exchange ideas you are invited to contribute something to the handicrafts and ideally guide a workshop (e.g. something with leather, iron, knots, music...whatever you are interested in) - please share your ideas with us.

The workshop will take place **from October 8th to 10th** at the Scout Hostel Camposacro (at Prosecco in the nearby of Trieste).

### **Where and when to arrive:**

Airport: the nearest airport is Ronchi dei Legionari in Trieste. It is also possible to arrive in Venezia Marco Polo airport. People arriving in Venice should arrive in the morning so that they could all meet there and be collected all together. (From Venice to Trieste there are 300km return).

Train: It is also possible to come by train (It is the best solution) up to Trieste Centrale.

### **Programme:**

#### Friday

Late afternoon, ( or Saturday morning) official workshop

Opening ceremony

#### Saturday

morning - workshop activities (there are already some activities available: such as italian cooking, signals, fires prevention, scout traditions (building a totem for the cubs/scouts...))

afternoon - visit the giant cave in the nearby of Trieste and in the night a campfire.

Sunday before leaving, there will be some discussions.

The participation fee is not fixed yet. We will keep you updated through the WFIS mailing list and homepage.

Please forward this invitation to the members of your association

For ideas about handicrafts/workshops contact:

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For general queries about the workshop please contact:

**workshop@wfis-europe.org**

Postal address:

**WFIS - Europe e.V., Angelstr. 15, 65558 Heistenbach, Germany**

Application for the workshop until **September, 15<sup>th</sup> 2004**

Application for leading a workshop until **September, 1<sup>st</sup> 2004**

**Every other ideas for the activities is very welcome!  
(contact Fidel: fidel.p@tin.it)**

You will receive a confirmation of participation. This will include details about how to get to the location.

Please bear in mind that there is a limited number of participants.

Looking forward to seeing you at the workshop, we wish you all nice and joyful summer camps,

Yours in scouting

WFIS-Europe Steering Committee

## WFIS EuroCamp 2006 in Switzerland!

It's a pleasure for the Feuerkreis of Switzerland and other associations to organize the EuroCamp 2006! After the very good Jamboree in Denmark in 2002, this is hopefully a successor that's even nicer, better and bigger!

2006 is two years from now, but such a big camp requires a lot of preparation! We have two very nice Swiss sites to choose from, and there's a team of 16 Scouts from the Feuerkreis and even more from other associations who take care for the location, schedule, events, tours, real scout life, songs and music, fire, food, water, wood, toilets and all the other things either necessary or cool!

Here's some information for you:

- Who's invited: Invited are all scouts of all WFIS member organizations! The primary focus is Europe; if you're from outside Europe, contact us.
- Date: **Saturday, July 22nd 2006 thru Saturday, July 29th 2006.**  
For a number of scouts it is possible to arrive early or depart late. Early arrival is possible from Wednesday, July 19th; late departure is possible until Monday, July 31st, 2006. There will be limited service during this time, and no schedule prepared. If you plan to arrive early or depart late, please make sure to inform us early enough.
- Price: The price has not yet been fixed, but it's likely to be in the range of EUR 65 thru EUR 70 per scout, not including food.

In order to organize the camp well and to avoid unnecessary financial risks, we're very happy if you provide us with information about your participation as soon as possible:

- **Pre registration is due November 30th, 2005.** Send us a mail with the number of scouts of your association, who will likely join the EuroCamp. If you already know now approximately, let us know, it helps if we can narrow the range of the number of participants!
- **Pre payment is due January 31st, 2006.** Please transfer half of the price times the number of pre registered scouts.
- **Final registration and payment is due April 30th, 2006.** Send us a mail with the final number of participants.

We've set up a web page, containing all the information about the EuroCamp: [www.feuerkreis.ch/eurocamp](http://www.feuerkreis.ch/eurocamp). As the planning continues, we'll provide more and more information on this page.

There's also an email address for all questions regarding the organization: [eurocamp@feuerkreis.ch](mailto:eurocamp@feuerkreis.ch). For those of you without internet, use this address: **Nicolas Guillet v/o Bison, Hauptstr. 24, CH-9042 Speicher, Switzerland, phone: +41 79 436 41 27.** Please feel free to contact us!

We look forward to see you all (again) at the EuroCamp 2006! Let's hope it's going to be a great camp!

**Gut Pfad! Bison**

## Whitsuntide Camp 2004 of the Freier Pfadfinderbund Asgard at the Jubilee Camp of the Freie Pfadfinderschaft Jomsburg

### Friday may 27th

About 5 pm most of the participants started putting up tents at the Jomsburg camp area. We - the FPA - did this the day before. That offered us the opportunity to have a close look at the way the Jomsis put up their tents. We were a bit surprised that they do not use "normal" tent pegs but took what they found usable in the surrounding forest and fit it to their needs. Apart from that we spotted nothing spectacular. Well...apart from the fact that they have not heard of camp hours and our camp treasure. Nevertheless they quickly found out about our camp treasure - to my regret (especially being on camp patrol duty that night). Many a times they came looking around pretending "just looking what that is". Sometimes that night the treasure disappeared somehow. Next morning we got the treasure back and some of those who were unlucky in getting the treasure and we got hold of had to do a special task in exchange.

### Saturday

To our surprise we had to get up at 7 o'clock. Afterwards we went through the forest towards the Baltic Sea beach in order to do our "morning hygiene". Hmmmmmm ..... not that bad (apart from the visitors who took a walk alongside the beach). Anyway teeth's brushing with saltwater is kind of a bit different .... weird - BÄÄÄÄÄÄH!! Anyway "a scout smiles under all difficulties" even with algae and saltwater in his mouth while brushing his teeth ;-). Afterwards it was time for breakfast, flags up followed. In the morning Olympic Camp Games took place with a lot of funny and sometimes difficult tasks to do. Carrying water in one's mouth, making faces, getting signatures of people who had been to Australia or owning a horse, pole throwing, blindfolded balancing of an egg, pantomime, etc. - no chance for boredom that morning. That made me think of taking a short break after lunch (which by the way was performed with the help of cold tea and a sandwich). Anyway my thoughtfully considered plans were thwarted only five minutes later being invited to take a position in a scout run. The "Jomsi" inviting me simply smiled at me saying ... sorry no midday breaks available. Me answering: Mee?? Häähhhh?? Lucky enough I was responsible for a wide game that afternoon and simply not available and ... midday break again. Afterwards I learned that many group had a bit of trouble to find the positions and heard about walkers which had been the target of loads of questions alike... have you seen any scouts?

The scout parcours covered the complete afternoon. After flags down there was time for a joint campfire. It was not easy to join the singing of the "Jomsis" simply because we did not know much of their songs and the other way round. This experience led to an appointment with the Jomsis to do singing activity after summer camp to learn from each other - and of course a mutual improvement of singing and knowledge of songs!

### Sunday

Again getting up at 7 o'clock and a nice walk to the personal hygienic facilities at the Baltic

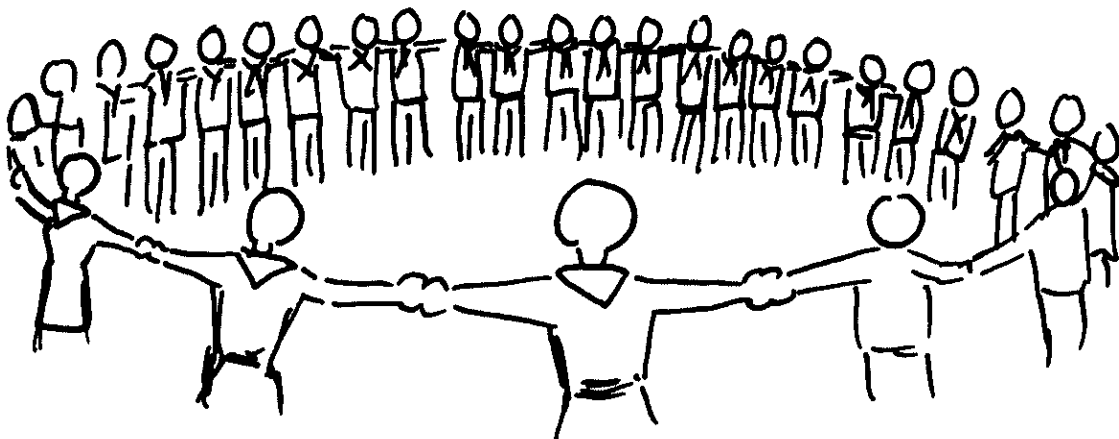
Sea. Since this night's programme contained a singing contest we began with practising a chosen song. Unfortunately only one group of us did lyrics on their own - the younger ones were active in doing so and finally performed their new song. During that time the Jomsis practised their boarding of a plane, despite the bright and hot shining sun - well for a three week summer camp in Finland I would have done the same. In the afternoon I got a bit nervous because of the wide game me being responsible for. Together with two Jomsis I took a closer at the peace of forest intended for this action. Later on it showed that it was far away from being simple to organise the groups to join the game as elves preferred to be trolls and the other way round. A little later the game began.... again different customs of doing things lead to some challenges which were solved and it was a big fun for everybody there. After the game ended loads of exhausted but happy participants went back to the camp site. The evening started with two meetings. Ours incorporated the giving of scout name to (and of course a kind of very special scouting baptism ceremony) Timo Winter of the BCP who got the name "shirt" in remembrance of him taking only one short to this camp ;-). This night Kobold, Sid and Phillip had to do their test of courage in the surrounding forest.

### Monday

Buhuu!! Time for leaving - too short a Whitsuntide camp is - alike all the other camps are. Some games were offered in the morning. Afterwards the singing contest was held with our group the only one with a song containing self-made lyrics! Anyway this did not avoid the utmost unliked part of a camp .... Getting tents down and packing the rucksacks for the return journey. After cleaning of the campsite the camp closing ceremony followed - leaving new and old friends behind and looking forward to meeting them again.

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Gollum (or Gully as some cub scouts prefer to call me)



## PROSPECT MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORT FILE

Some news about the activities made by WFIS prospect members in Portugal

### ***CORPO DE ESCUTEIROS MARÍTIMOS (CEMPRIA)*** **G.C.N.FARO**

❖ FEBRUARY 2004

#### O Komboyo dos Lokos - "The Art and You"

Partnership: Associação Recreativa e Cultural do Algarve (ARCA)

CEMPRIA had a partnership with ARCA and gave its contribution to a wide variety of happenings - all together. Navigated on the actions: SÁBADO DOS LOKINHOS - 14 de Fevereiro, sporting animation: sailing and canoeing. LOKAS E LOKOS ENTRE ILHÉUS - 22 de Fevereiro, leisure animation/walk in the Ria Formosa: Culatra and Hangares. DESFILE DOS LOKOS - 28 de Fevereiro, closure of the event with a grand finale and apotheosis. To build the brotherhood ARCA - CEMPRIA, contributed for the dignification of being young.

O KOMBOYO DOS LOKOS - The seventh of many and the first ever!!



❖ 21 March 2004

#### Universal day of the Tree - "Let's reforest Portugal"

Partnership: Education Department - Faro's City Hall.

CEMPRIA dignified this initiative - motivated by the large amount of devastating fires which destroyed the forests of Portugal on summer of 2003. It proved to be a success among children and people, totally motivated on the act of reforesting and natural preservation which was held on the "Herdade da Parra" in the town of Silves.



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Environment/Mother Nature – all that surrounds us: the air we breath, the social context we are inserted on, the strength and individuality of being, the force that created us and invites to co-exist.

❖ **17 April 2004**

National Funds Collection – Instituto Nacional de Cardiologia Preventiva/Prof. Fernando de Pádua

Partnership: Instituto Nacional de Cardiologia Preventiva – Prof. Fernando de Pádua.  
As requested by this Cardiology Institute (private, of social solidarity without lucrative ends) – once more following the example of previous years –, CEMPRI A participated on the funds collect so this institution could develop with better conditions its preventive activities, of social assistance all over the country.  
COLLECT AND INTERACT – Communitarian, ethical and citizenship service.

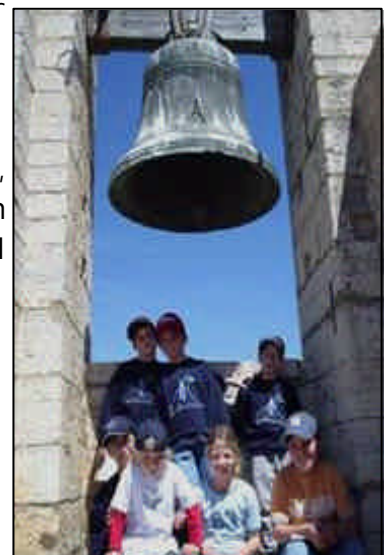
❖ **May 2004**

**VI International Census of the White Stork- “Ciconia ciconia/2004”**

Partnership: Sociedade Portuguesa para o Estudo das Aves (SPEA) and Ecoteca de Olhão.

SPEA, responsible entity for the coordination of the international census of the White Stork, held every 10 years, chose – among others –, CEMPRI A, as a non-professional partner, involving the population on the spotting and catalogue of occupied White Stork nests in every region of Portugal. After sending our nest survey forms to the SPEA, this entity considered our participation as one of great help and merit.

MULTIDISCIPLINAR ACTION – Birds, with their grace, singings and natural empathy with the environment are an invitation to preservation and protection.



❖ June 2004

**A Clean Ria Formosa/A Dreamed Desire - "The Blue Parrot"/Most important than cleaning... is not to pollute.**

Partnership: Education Department - Faro's City Hall, Liga para a Protecção da Natureza (LPN/Algarve), Inhabitants Association of the Ilha do Farol.

Sou-o-sonho... I'm-the-dream...

Sou-o-amor... I'm-the-love...

Sou-o-querer... I'm-the-will...



Sou-O-Papagaio-Azul- I'm-the-Blue Parrot-

[-to-be-done!!!



It's urgent to dignify the Algarve's pearl- our Ria Formosa. For that and into that, we don't save efforts and launched the "Blue Parrot" - a tireless campaign. A Clean Ria Formosa/A Dreamed Desire - "The Blue Parrot"/Most important than cleaning... is not to pollute. A pedagogical campaign for environmental sensitivity and preservation.

❖ 1st July 2004

**Dia Mundial da Criança - Alameda João de Deus em Faro**

Partnership: Education Department - Faro's City Hall. To commemorate the Universal day of the children, as usually, Faro's City Hall and its Education Department, on a partnership with several Associations from the Region, token the importance and shine of being a child nowadays to the garden of "Alameda" in Faro. CEMPRIA, considering the significance of being and having on the region of Faro the occupation of Educating by Serving, was distinguished with the honourable privilege of being present on the event.



Vibrancy/Adventure - CEMPRIA designed and decorated its little "shed" with themes dedicated to the "Blue Parrot", developing the interaction among the participants: Building of a paper and card "Blue Parrot" (25 cm long) which flew in the air; A tale, a story - "The Magic Balloon"; Singings: "Rac Rac" - numa noite de verão... e "The Grasshopper" - salta salta salta...; Scouting - The art of Knots.



## WFIS - NEWS

✓ The next **WFIS world Jamboree will be held in 2007.**

The exact location and some details will be discussed next September in Canada, during the WFIS Worldwide conference.

So further information about this event will be communicated in the next Euroletters.



### In Memory of...

Betty Clay

16th April 1917 - 24th April 2004



Born on April 16th 1917, Betty was the youngest child of Lord Baden-Powell, the Founder of the Scouting and Guiding Movements and Lady Baden-Powell, the World Chief Guide. As a girl, she was a Brownie, a Guide and a Ranger. As a young woman, she assisted her parents in their work, joining them at countless functions and events and accompanying them on their Guiding and Scouting World Tours in 1934 and 1935. She remained closely involved with both Movements all her life, and her personal contributions stretched far

Beyond the demands of family connection.

Her devotion and commitment were repeatedly demonstrated in her accomplishments as President of the U.K. Guiding's South West England Region from 1970 to 1991, Vice-President of The U.K. Guide Association from 1978-1999, President of the U.K. Trefoil Guild from 1989 to 1994, and a founding member of the Olave Baden-Powell Society in 1985. The U.K. Guide Association presented her with a special version of its Silver Fish award, in 1995.

In 1984, she was awarded the Silver Wolf, the highest award of the U.K. Scout Association, of which she became a Vice-President in 1989. In 1993, she became the second person ever to receive an honorary Gilwell Wood Badge, the first recipient being her mother. And in 1999, the World Organization of the Scout Movement presented her with the highest award in World Scouting, the Bronze Wolf. She was also awarded the Companion of the British Empire in 1997, by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, in recognition of her unique dedication and service to boys and girls through Scouting and Guiding..

In 2000, Betty was the guest of honour at Guiding's World Camp, celebrating the Millennium. At that camp, she transmitted her belief, with great conviction, that young women can make a difference in every aspect of society. Throughout her life, Betty kept her parents' vision alive for millions of young people around the world. Her commitment to the ideals of Scouting and Guiding was and always will be an inspiration to us all.