



International Scout and Guide Fellowship
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POINT TO NOTE

The Asia Pacific Scout & Guide Fellowship is emerging to become strong region of ISGF & our recent meeting of the committee in Auckland New Zealand was another step towards achieving our dream of vision 2024 and also the workshop held KL Malaysia on Regional Development has made it possible with setting up strategy with steps to move ahead.

This is 17th Quarterly Update - looking ahead with more intensified approach to make every country in the region weather small or big to join SGF and also by appointing one more consultant to our committee to guide us.

Asia Pacific Scout & Guide Fellowship –
HIGHLIGHTS

- 5th AsPac SGF Committee Meet – was held from 17th to 20th March 2017, attended by 9 committee members from 6 NSGF's along with 8 invitees - meeting went on successfully hosted by New Zealand NSGF Inc. at Airport Gateway Hotel, Auckland. Meeting was chaired by Satish R Khanna and locally coordinated by Mike Crane President of New Zealand NSGF Inc, with support of Mary Crane & Gary James (Walker). The highlights of is as follows –
 - ✓ Members started to arrive on 16th March 2017 and reception at Airport was lead by Gary James & by 17th March evening 15 members arrived from Australia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives and 3 members from New Zealand joined. On evening of 17th March briefing was done by Mike Crane to Chairman, Vice Chair, Treasurer & Secretary General of AsPac about next 3 days schedule.
 - ✓ Welcome dinner was organized on 17th March 2017 at same hotel attended by all 17 members along with key leaders from local Girl Guide Association including chair of Trefoil Guild, former chair New Zealand Girl Guide Association and also local SGF members were present. Everyone was recognized with brief introduction by Mike Crane as well Mecci. Key leaders spoke for few minutes and it was warm evening with welcome kit was presented to all the invitees / delegates.
 - ✓ On 18th March 2017 committee meeting began at 0900 hours – began with prayer, introduction and welcome address by Mary Crane International Secretary of New Zealand NSGF Inc. Chairman Satish R Khanna gave his opening remarks and he stressed for unity in the region. Minutes of 4th AsPac Committee along with action taken report and updates were presented by Mecci. The meeting proceeded with agenda items one by one and by 1330 hours committee took a break for lunch and proceeded to local camp site of New Zealand Scouts.
 - ✓ The team reached camp site at 1600 hours and warmly received by members of local B P Guild members. They went around the beautiful camp site with lot of adventure bases, beaches, lot of woods with many land marks and tour was lead by Gary James. They also met local Cub Scouts who were celebrating 100 years with varieties of activities, it was amazing experience. Followed by Barbeque dinner hosted by local BP Guild & all office bearers of Guild were also present including member from Taiwan. After dinner they enjoyed presentation of New Zealand NSGF Inc. along with few inspirational talks and every one sang few songs to conclude the day. Members returned to hotel and bid good night to each other.
 - ✓ On 19th March meeting resumed at 0900 hours – with remaining items on agenda and



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- concluded at 1330 hours with closing remarks by vice chair Mariam Wahida, she thanked the hosts for making the meeting memorable.
- ✓ At 1430 team left for city tour of Auckland, went around land marks in the city and enjoyed the Animal Farming estate which is one of the best locations in Auckland. They returned to hotel by 1830 hours.
 - ✓ The Fellowship Dinner was held in hotel, with few invitees from local NSGF members and followed by small closing ceremony was held. New members were recognized with scarf presentations, the key leaders from New Zealand NSGF Inc were presented with small souvenirs and thanks were proposed by Mecci.
 - ✓ The members departed on 20th March 2017 after break fasts on their own personal schedules to destinations of their desires.
 - ✓ New Zealand NSGF Inc. took all out efforts to make the meeting more fruitful, enjoyable, with traditional Scouting / Guiding methods and with ethics. AsPac SGF thanks the hosts for their support and hospitality.
 - ✓ Highlights of the meet was – committee stood united to resolve disputes and problems prevailing in the region, Regional Development Plan with vision 2024 was approved and will be implemented in due course, World Conference at Bali 2017 was discussed and Aspac Committee again stressed to stand united, special image building efforts of the region will be initiated during World Conference, AsPac Foundation future actions were updated, Regional accounts and financials status were informed to the committee, support extended to APR WOSM & APR WAGGGS were discussed and future actions were decided, AsPac SGF will officially join the 31st APR Scout Jamboree in Mongolia in 2017, senior leader from APR WAGGGS was approached to be consultant of the committee especially for Girl Guiding technicalities, next 6th Aspac SGF Committee will be held Nepal and next AsPac Gathering venue and hosts were discussed (shortly same will be announced). Overall it was successful meeting.
- Regional Development Workshop – 2017 - was held in Federal Hotel Kuala Lumpur Malaysia from 20th to 22nd Jan 2017 attended by 10 countries, officially hosted by B P Guild of Malaysia coordinated by Gunaseelan T. The 2 days workshop was technically conducted by Greg Davies & Aamal Ali guided by Mecci. ISGF World body also extended financial support for the workshop. The 28 members attended from 10 countries are Australia, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and Thailand. Dr. Zen Chief Commissioner of PPM – Malaysia attended the welcome dinner and blessed the occasion, Tiru Srinath from WOSM / WSB KL Office joined and presented the technical presentation on WOSM and Thammy Chong, the International Commissioner of the Girl Guides Association of Malaysia gave presentation on stop violence and WAGGGS, along with appreciated AsPac SGF support and gave a brief on what they needed further support from AsPac. Abdullah Rasheed also gave a input on constitution of ISGF and region, the 3 areas chosen technical planning was Identify priorities, allocate funds and Intensifying the growth at NSGF/ CB's level. The next level of planning has to be streamlined with every NSGF's / CB to keep the track of plan and vision 2024. (copy of the plan is attached). Thailand and Singapore joined for first time as part of AsPac, every one contributed their ideas and suggestions in the interest of AsPac Region. Panel Meet – 3 member's panel nominated by AsPac SGF Committee also met in KL Malaysia during the workshop to facilitate a solution and submitted strong recommendations after meeting the concerned groups. Nepal, Bangladesh, India, Singapore brought official souvenirs and presented during the workshop.



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OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

APR WOSM - With coordination of Janaprith Fernando Member of APR Scout Committee and Regional Director support AsPac SGF is gearing up to join the 31st APR Scout Jamboree in Mongolia from 29th July to 4th August 2017. Greg Davies is being nominated to lead AsPac SGF in the promotional activities.

WAGGGS / APR – Marybelle Mariñas Chair WAGGGS Asia Pacific Region is doing her level best to coordinate directly with AsPac SGF Committee and hopefully we will witnessing many ventures together.

News from NSGF's & Central Branches

- Nepal NSGF – is becoming full fledged NSGF during coming up world conference in Bali during October 2017.
- Thailand Central Branch member Sue Anwar is taking all initiatives to form NSGF and we stand with her to extend complete support.

