

34th CONVENTION I.B.M. British Ring 25

Hastings '70



**THE
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BROTHERHOOD
OF
MAGICIANS**

BRITISH RING No. 25



34TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

HASTINGS, 16th-20th SEPTEMBER,
1970



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No. 25

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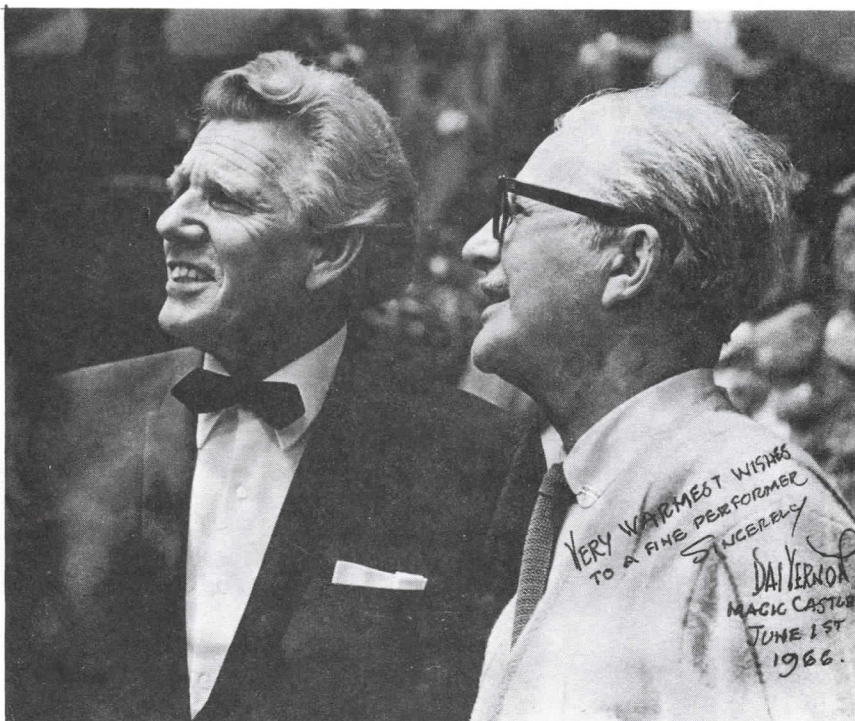
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An interesting picture from President Harold Taylor's collection

Little did I think when I wrote the President's message for our 33rd Convention at Scarborough that once again I would have the honour and extreme pleasure to welcome you all to this our 34th Convention.

Having completed a second consecutive year of office, may I, on behalf of Presh and myself, thank each and every one of you for your loyal support and also for the very warm reception extended to us at the many functions we were fortunate enough to attend.

Although I am relinquishing office you have my assurance that I will do everything in my power to uphold the art of magic and the British Ring in particular.

We are this year privileged and very honoured to have the International President with us and it is with the utmost sincerity that I welcome our own "Bill" Stickland, of whom we are all very proud since he is the first Englishman to hold this exalted office, and I trust that our 1970 Convention will do justice to "Bill", that wonderful ambassador of magic.

A special welcome also to our many friends from overseas, and to those attending a British Ring Convention for the first time. To those unable to attend through sickness we wish a speedy return to complete good health. Our thoughts will be with you.

Presh and I look forward with tremendous pleasurable anticipation to meeting you once again, and we wish you a happy and enjoyable Convention.

HAROLD TAYLOR



COUNCILLOR E. P. NYE, C.ENG., M.I.E.E.

MAYOR'S PARLOUR
TOWN HALL
HASTINGS



I am delighted to have this opportunity of extending a very warm welcome to the British Ring of the International Brotherhood of Magicians who will be holding their 34th Annual Convention in Hastings this year.

Your Convention in 1966 is remembered as a very colourful and successful occasion, bringing a breath of magic into the Town.

I hope that the coming Convention will be even more successful and enjoyable, and I look forward to meeting you all in September.

Edward P. Nye.

EDWARD P. NYE.
Mayor.



GREETINGS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT.

I am very happy I am supported at this, the British Ring's 34th Annual Convention, by the first International Vice President Ace Gorham, and past International President Charles Roskam, both members of the British Ring. Jointly we bring Greetings to our largest Ring, from your Board of Trustees, also from our World Wide Membership, which is evidenced by the large number of visitors to this Convention, from overseas and representing many countries.

Magic knows no barriers or frontiers, and I am sure hosts and visitors will fraternise, and have an enjoyable time together, proving the true Brotherhood of our great association.

To the Convention Committee, our thanks for the great work resulting in what I know will be a very successful Convention, and to all members, my appreciation for your loyalty and my sincere hope that you will use every endeavour to consolidate and increase the membership of the I.B.M. in our country.

WM. G. STICKLAND
International President
International Brotherhood of Magicians

CONVENTION COMMITTEE



Wm. G. STICKLAND



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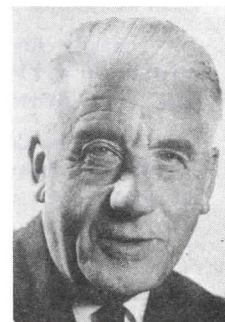
GEOFFREY ROBINSON



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PETER WARLOCK



Welcome to our Overseas Visitors

Australia

GENE RAYMOND

Belgium

LUDO CARLI
MONS LAGUESSE
STEWART REVERS

Canada

ELIZABETH WARLOCK

Denmark

PETER BORSCH
VIGGO JAHN
NIELS STAALO

France

PIERRE EDERNAC
MONS. FIALHO
MONS. GUINSBURG
M. PIERRE
MONS. TANDEAU
ERIC ROBERT
PATRICK SERE

Germany

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Pakistan

SHEK BEN ALI

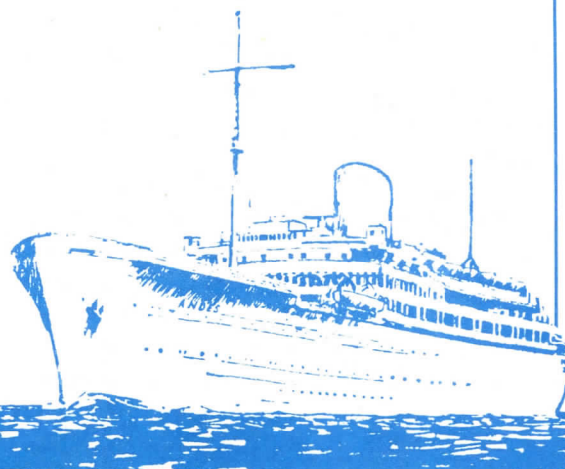
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BENGT NIELSON
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N. C. DICKIE

United States of America

CHARLES ROSSKAM
ACE GORHAM
MIKE ROGERS
MR. BANDEROG
SIR FELIX KORAM
SYD BROCKMAN
J.L.HUNT
MR. HADLEY





TUESDAY 15th September 7.30 p.m. Queens Hotel, Hastings



Night Before Party

Your Host — HOWARD PETERS

An opportunity to meet your friends, old and new, before the Convention starts — CABARET, CLOSE-UP MAGIC, and SURPRISES.

** DRESS IS INFORMAL — ALL CONVENTION REGISTRANTS WELCOME — WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU**



Convention Announcements

WHITE ROCK PAVILION
CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS

The events will be announced on the fixture boards at the Registration Office, White Rock Pavilion, and a blackboard will be provided for any alterations or special announcements.

We have official CONVENTION STEWARDS on duty (distinguished by badges) and they are particularly anxious to assist newcomers to conventions who should make themselves known to the Stewards with a view to introductions being effected. The organisers too will be very happy to give information regarding any events.

THE REGISTRATION DESKS will be open in the Foyer of the White Rock Pavilion throughout the Convention. There are two desks, one for delegates who have previously registered, the other for those registering at the convention.

Please wear your Convention badge which shows all delegates your name, and the rule "Admission only by badge" will be strictly enforced for convention events.

PROFESSOR E. DUPLOYEN, Official Interpreter to the British Ring will be present and his services will be at the disposal of any member or visitor requiring same.

WEDNESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

VENUE: HASTINGS PIER

TIME: 10.30 APPROX (DEPENDING ON TIDES)

Underwater Challenge Escape



TO BE ATTEMPTED BY
HOWARD PETERS

HANDCUFFED AND MANACLED, HOWARD PETERS WILL BE PLACED INSIDE A PACKING CASE WHICH WILL BE SEALED UP AND THEN DROPPED INTO THE SEA OFF HASTINGS PIER — HE MUST FREE HIMSELF FROM THIS UNDERWATER COFFIN IN A FEW MINUTES. REMEMBER, ONCE THE PACKING CASE IS UNDER THE SEA, HE MUST ESCAPE. NOTHING ELSE CAN SAVE HIM.

COMMENTARY BY PAUL GRAHAM

★ ★

WED. THUR. FRI. SAT. SUN.

White Rock Pavilion

DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR

YOUR SHOP WINDOW

Co-organisers:

EDDIE DEXTER — DON LEES

OPENING TIMES AND CLOSING TIME:-

WEDNESDAY 9.30 a.m. until 7.30 p.m.
THURSDAY Closed until after the Dealers' Demonstration:-
Open approx. Midday until 6.30 p.m.
FRIDAY 11.30 a.m. until 6.30 p.m. (to allow dealers to
attend the Banquet and the Annual General Meeting)
SATURDAY 9.00 a.m. until 6.30 p.m.
SUNDAY 9.00 a.m. until 12 o'clock midday.

LOWER HALL

SUPREME MAGIC CO.	OSCAR OSWALD	ANVERDI
L. DAVENPORT & CO.	MURRAY	FREDLO DEVELOPMENTS
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JACK HUGHES	INZANI-HENLEY	SILRAY MAGIC CO.
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LOWER TEA ROOM

MAGICTRIX	MAYES & WARREN ENTERPRISES	ROY BAKER
	HAMILTON KAYE & CO.	

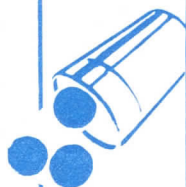
Each year dealers go to considerable expense to present their exhibitions at the British Ring Convention, and your attention to their demonstrations is welcomed. All are eager to show you their "latest" and many exclusives will be on show for the first time. Take this opportunity of making a full round of the dealers. You will not regret it.

One of the most important features is the Dealers' Trophy presented by MYSTIC CRAIG for the MOST ATTRACTIVE STAND and this will be awarded during the Convention. It is held for one year.

JUDGING will take place on WEDNESDAY at 5.00 p.m.
JUDGED by MR. BULL, Display Manager - Plummer Roddis Ltd., Hastings.

Present Holder: DIAMOND ENTERPRISES.

WHO WILL WIN IT THIS YEAR?



WEDNESDAY 16th September 2.30 p.m. White Rock Pavilion

The
Official Opening of the
34TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS

(BRITISH RING No. 25)

by the President HAROLD TAYLOR

and followed by

*International
Magic*

Compered by ACE GORHAM U.S.A.
and including

GEOFF ATKINSON

GENE RAYMOND

Barbados

Australia

EDERNAC

de RESKI

RONNIE REX

France

Ireland

Germany

WEDNESDAY 16th September 8 p.m. for 8.30 p.m.
White Rock Pavilion

Civic Reception Ball & Cabaret

Given by
THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL, THE MAYOR
and the MAYORESS OF HASTINGS
Councillor E. P. Nye C.Eng. M.I.E.E
and Mrs Nye

WITH KIND PERMISSION OF THE MAYOR & MAYORESS OUR
OVERSEAS VISITORS WILL BE INTRODUCED.



DANCING TO THE MUSIC OF...

GORDON RIDER AND HIS ORCHESTRA

EVENING DRESS

CABARET

DORITA
presents

Compered by
**TERRY
SEABROOKE**

TOPPER MARTYN

International Juggler

|| THE SWINGING TIME ||

Girls * Laughter
* Music * Song



THURSDAY 17th September at 9.45 a.m. White Rock Pavilion

DEALERS' DEMONSTRATION

arranged by REX READER

TIMES AND ORDER OF APPEARANCE:

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| 1 | 9.45 a.m. | HAMILTON KAYE & CO. |
| 2 | 9.55 a.m. | ROY BAKER |
| 3 | 10.05 a.m. | OSCAR OSWALD |
| 4 | 10.15 a.m. | SILRAY MAGIC CO. |
| 5 | 10.25 a.m. | CHARLES FITNESS |
| 6 | 10.35 a.m. | L.DAVENPORT & CO. |
| 7 | 10.45 a.m. | FREDLO DEVELOPMENTS |
| 8 | 10.55 a.m. | MISS TERRY MAGIC STUDIO |
| 9 | 11.05 a.m. | HARRY STANLEY |
| 10 | 11.15 a.m. | ANVERDI |
| 11 | 11.25 a.m. | LUNA MAGIC CO. |
| 12 | 11.35 a.m. | SUPREME MAGIC CO. |
| 13 | 11.45 a.m. | INTERNATIONAL MAGIC STUDIO |
| 14 | 11.55 a.m. | JACK HUGHES |
| 15 | 12.05 p.m. | INZANI - HENLEY MAGIC CO.LTD. |
| 16 | 12.15 p.m. | MURRAY |
| 17 | 12.25 p.m. | MAYES & WARREN ENTERPRISES LTD. |
| 18 | 12.35 p.m. | MAGICTRIX |

Time-keeper: JACK POTTER

Stage Staff: DOC YETMAN DOUG. JONES ALAN HOLMES

Dealer Liaison: CLIFF TOWNSEND DOUG MURFETT BRIAN ROE

Your Convention Committee take this opportunity of extending thanks to our Member Dealers who are giving up this morning, in order to present for our enjoyment their latest in magic.

Owing to the number of Demonstrations and in the interest of all a warning **Orange Light and a Buzzer will be used to indicate 8 minutes. A Red light will be shown at 9 minutes.** The Curtains will be drawn whether the demonstrator is finished or otherwise. We very much regret having to enforce this Rule, and do so only in the interests of the Performers.

This is a Mammoth Demonstration and in fairness to the first Artiste **please be seated in good time.** The curtain will rise at 9-45 a.m. **promptly.**

LECTURE SESSIONS

Chairman: PETER WARLOCK

1

THURSDAY 17th. September at 2.30.p.m.

WHITE ROCK PAVILION

ROY BAKER



2

SATURDAY 19th. September at 2.30.p.m.

PIER PAVILION

MIKE ROGERS



3

SUNDAY 20th. September at 11.a.m.

WHITE ROCK PAVILION

ACE GORHAM

THURSDAY 17th September at 2.30 p.m. Queens Hotel

LADIES AFTERNOON

TALK and DEMONSTRATIONS and RECIPES

by



TEA

RAFFLES

BINGO

THURSDAY 17th September. *at Midnight!*

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



★ FREDDY FIRTH AND OTHER RINGERS from the Zodiac in a satirical magical offering which no magician should miss. ★

Presented by FRANCIS HAXTON

HOSPITALS/HOMES SHOWS — Hastings 1970

THURSDAY 17th September.

Each show to commence promptly at 4.30 p.m.

NATIONAL CHILDRENS HOME —
Malmesbury House, 125 West Hill Rd,
St. Leonards.

DAVID KITE, JOHNNY GEDDES
PERCY BEST, MO HOWARTH,
JOE MARSH, OWEN GRIFFITHS,
Compere — S.M: HUGH CECIL
Pianist — ERNIE TONGUE.
Stage Manager — PAUL GRAHAM

PRINTERS MEDICAL AID CONVALESCENT
HOME, (Adults).
The Hermitage, 50/52 Holmesdale Gdns,
Hastings.

HORACE KING, GORDON DIXON & PAT
FRANK BAUMFORTH, TERRY HERBERT
DREW MASTERS and TESS, JOHN RHODES
Compere —
Stage Manager — TONY BARNARD
Pianist — ALEX GARNER

LONDON TRANSPORT (CENTRAL ROAD
SERVICE) EMPLOYEES, FRIENDLY SOCIETY
CONV. HOME, 2 Albany Road,
St. Leonards.

(Special Close Up Show)

MICHAEL SEACOME GUS SOUTHALL
ELIZABETH WARLOCK DON CROMBIE
ARTHUR SETTERINGTON.

Host/S.M. BOB MCKENZIE.

DR. BARNARDO'S HOMES FOR BOYS —
Old Roar Road,
St. Leonards.

SLY SMITH LEN JENNINGS
DAVID BRATT JACK MAYES
ALAN KENNAUGH TED BEALES
Compere — TED BEALES
Stage Manager — DUNCAN JOHNSTON
Pianist — SYD EDWARDS

ELPHINSTONE MOUNT. CHILDREN'S
CONV. HOME, 211 Elphinstone Road,
St. Leonards.

FRANK NORMAN HUBERT CADDY
ALASTAIR LES WOODCOCK
ROY DARNLEY ROY BROOKS
Compere: JOE SCOBIE
Pianist — A. TWEMLow
Stage Manager —

"NEW MORETON", (Old People's Home)
Boscobel Road,
St. Leonards.

MARJORIE and HARRY FLETCHER
ALFRED GABRIEL SAM PATIENCE
DUNCAN FLETCHER and OLIVE
JACK DELVIN
Stage Manager — DAVID SCOTT
Pianist — SAM PATIENCE

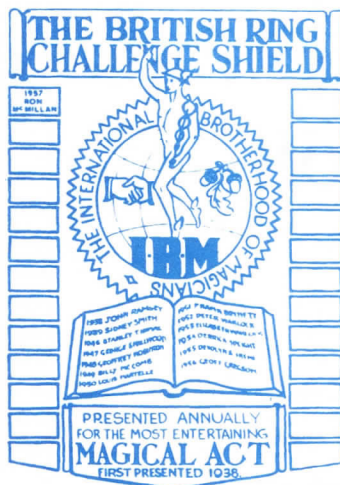
PINE HILL (Home for Old People)
185 The Ridge
Hastings

JACK YATES
HEDLEY FAWCETT JOHN BAIN
REG ALLEN CLAUDE MANLEY
SCOTTIE THOMPSON
Pianist/Compere — TRELBA
Stage Manager — RANDINI

The I.B.M. Clowns, led by Smokey, will visit each Home during the afternoon.
Performers who are making their way to venue direct...Please advise Wilfred
Tyler in advance. (Maps will be available after dealers Dem. on the Thursday
morning, from him).

Those requiring transport to the outside H.Q. (White Rock Pav.) 4 p.m. to
move off no later than 4.15 p.m.

Again transport is needed for these shows...volunteers welcome... any one
wishing to visit any one of these shows will also be welcome but must be
responsible for getting there themselves. "CHOOSE YOUR SHOW...MAKE YOUR WAY
THERE...AND ENJOY WHAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED...more are attending these each
year, if only to see how many of the performers approach the different
conditions for presentations....



COMPETITION for the New Silver **BRITISH RING SHIELD**

THURSDAY 17th September at 7.30 p.m. White Rock Pavilion

Conditions Relating to Performance in the British Ring (International Brotherhood of Magicians) Annual Competitions

These competitions shall be open to all paid up members of Ring 25 THE BRITISH RING. There shall be three main awards as follows:—

1. **THE NEW SILVER BRITISH RING SHIELD** and Cash Prize £10.
This will be awarded for the presentation of the most entertaining magical act and is held for one year.
2. **THE CONVENTIONEERS' TROPHY**
For greatest originality shown either in effect, method or presentation and is held for one year.
3. **THE CRAIG TROPHY**
For the best performance by a lady magician and is held for one year.

In addition there are the

THEO SPEAKER CUP and Cash Prize of £5 for runner up.
To be held for one year.

THIRD PRIZE £3.

TOM HARRIS CUP (Comedy) and Cash prize of £5.5.0 (kindly donated by Tom Harris)

DITTIA SHIELD (Manipulation)

No bar is placed upon the number of awards that can be obtained by a successful competitor and thus a male winner of the British Ring Shield, could, having presented the most entertaining and at the same time most original act, qualify for two awards.

In the same manner a lady competitor equally successful would be entitled to all three awards.

The length of act submitted by each competitor should not exceed ten minutes playing time, and to assist him or her, a warning light will be flashed at the end of nine minutes. **Any competitor exceeding a time of ten and a half minutes will be automatically disqualified and such disqualification will be announced from the stage immediately before the appearance of the next competitor.**

The judges would consist of five members of the Ring, the local Entertainments manager and the editor of the local paper. This composition might have to be varied according to location. There would be an umpire, a senior official of the Ring, who would have complete powers to accept or reject the judges' decisions. If he rejected them, he would be required to place his decision and reasons therefore before the Committee.

For additional guidance, the Instructions to Judges are appended.

BRITISH RING SHIELD ANNUAL COMPETITION

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE JUDGES

There are three competitions which require your judgment. The first is for the major award, the **BRITISH RING SHIELD**.

This will be won by the act, which in your opinion constitutes the most **entertaining** magical act.

In view of this the act should be considered from the point of view of **entertainment**. Imagine you are seeing it in a concert, or dinner or other show, either by itself or with a number of other acts of various types. Does it entertain you?

The following points may assist you in judging :—

A. Consider general entertainment first — that is important — then, if you have several acts which you consider equally entertaining give your attention to the following :—

B. Consider the entrance and exit of the performer, the stage setting and condition of apparatus, his or her dress, deportment and elocution the nature of the tricks performed and the reaction of the audience. If the act is a silent one note the effectiveness of the mime.

C. You will take into account magical ability but as you are viewing this from the layman's angle of entertainment with magic, your judgment must not be biased by a display of advanced technical ability which would **only be apparent** to a **magician**.

The points made above may help you decide. **YOU ARE NOT LOOKING FOR NEW TRICKS** — and if a performer does old ones very well in an **ENTERTAINING MANNER** — he deserves your marks. Remember that a layman may not have seen that vast repertoire of tricks that you know so well. Naturally the same remarks apply to patter.

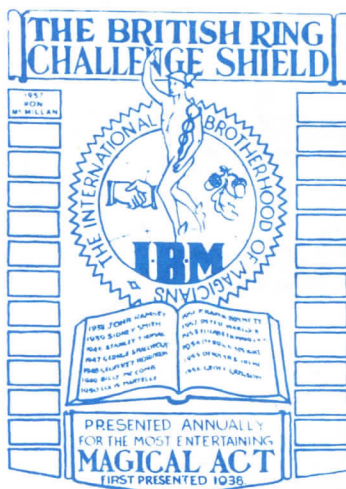
The **SECOND AWARD** is for **ORIGINALITY** and is in the main, the concern of those members of the panel who are magicians.

The merits necessary for this award are :—

1. Newness of effect, so far as is known.
2. A novel presentation employing twists on standard effects.
3. The entertainment value contained in such presentation effects.
4. An adequacy of mystery.

The **THIRD AWARD** is that given to the best lady performer. This requires no further elucidation, the merits previously stated applying equally in this case.

So as to allow for any disparities in judgment which may arise you are asked to write down the names of what you consider to be the best four acts, adding if these do not qualify in the first four places, the performers entitled to the second and third awards. Seal your paper in the envelope provided and hand it to the Umpire. **PLEASE DO NOT DISCUSS YOUR DECISION WITH ANY OTHER MEMBER OF THE JUDGING PANEL** until you have all handed over your envelopes.



ALASTAIR introduces
COMPETITION
for the New Silver
BRITISH RING
SHIELD

THURSDAY 17th September at 7.30 p.m. White Rock Pavilion

JUDGES:-

GEOFFREY BUCKINGHAM - Chairman.
 RON BISHOP: JOHN BURTON (Entertainments
 Manager, Hastings); ARTHUR CULPIN
 ACE GORHAM; GUS SOUTHALL
 HENK VERMEYDEN: ELIZABETH WARLOCK



Organised by ALASTAIR
 Stage Manager — ANTHONY LIST
 Musical Director — ALFRED GABRIEL
 Timekeeper — JACK POTTER

The draw for Running Order will be made at the Opening Ceremony on Wednesday.

GRANVILLE & JUNE ANSTEE	-	Newport
F. W. BALME	-	Morecambe
DAVID CLARKE	-	Lindfield
DAMAR	-	Harbury
RAY DOUGLAS & CAROL	-	Blackpool
FU LING & SHAN	-	Newton Abbot
DENIS GARDNER	-	Nottingham
GUY & DOROTHY	-	Claines
JOHN MAIRE	-	London
GEOFF. RAY & PAT	-	Shrewsbury
ROBERTS BROTHERS	-	Pontefract
PETER SCARLETT	-	Portslade
TOMMY TALBOT	-	Woking

IMPORTANT TO COMPETITORS :-

Allowing TEN minutes for each turn competitors should work out approximate time of appearance and report to the Stage Manager half an hour before time due. When each competitor enters a green light will be illuminated and timing will start. At the end of the 9th minute a buzzer will sound and the green light will be changed for an amber one. At the end of the 10th minute the amber light will be replaced by a red one.

FRIDAY 18th September at 10.30 a.m. White Rock Pavilion

Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers

MEMBERS ONLY ADMITTED

Chairman :

HAROLD TAYLOR

NOTE — Printed Agenda will be handed to each Member.

Voting Papers must be left at the Reception Desk
not later than 4.p.m. THURSDAY 17th SEPTEMBER

Returning Officer : Mr. REX READER

STEWARDS :-



Chief Steward : JACK GRIGGS



JOCK ARMITAGE

HARRY BENSON

JACK BRAZIER

CYRIL CAPON

GEORGE HATTON

DR. McKEE

LES WOODCOCK

FRIDAY 18th September at 2.45 p.m.

White Rock Pavilion

PETER WARLOCK

presents

*"The Loneliness
of the
Long Distance Looker Back"*

A nostalgic journey that will revive memories of David Devant, Oswald Williams, Arthur Ainslie, Chris Van Bern, Raoul, Gambling and others, the following artists playing their parts:



GEOFFREY BUCKINGHAM



ROBERT SINCLAIR

JEFFREY ATKINS

RON BISHOP

GEORGE BLAKE

GEOFFREY BUCKINGHAM

FRED BUTTRESS

ALFRED GABRIEL

PAT PAGE

REX READER

Music by

KEITH HURFORD

ROBERT SINCLAIR

CLIFF TOWNSEND

FRIDAY 18th September 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Queens Hotel

CONVENTION BANQUET * * * * *



PRAWN COCKTAIL

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MINESTRONE

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GRILLED TURBOT with Parsley Butter Sauce

--

ROAST SADDLE of LAMB

Garden Peas

Braised Celery

Croquette Potatoes

--

FRUIT GATEAU

--

COFFEE



TOAST MASTER - LESLIE FINCH

THE QUEEN

Proposed by THE PRESIDENT

THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF HASTINGS

Proposed by WM. G. STICKLAND ESQ, International President
of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Response by the Right Worshipful The Mayor of Hastings
COUNCILLOR E.P.NYE, C. Eng M.I.E.E.

THE BRITISH RING

Proposed by CHARLES ROSSKAM, Past President of the
International President of Magicians

Response by the President, HAROLD TAYLOR.

LADIES & GUESTS

Proposed by JEFFREY ATKINS Past President & Hon Treasurer
of the British Ring I.B.M.

Response by ACE GORHAM, 1st International Vice President
of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

FRIDAY 18th September at 10.30 p.m. White Rock Pavilion

PAUL GRAHAM & GEOFFREY ROBINSON present the

AFTER BANQUET SHOW

ALI BONGO

DAVID BUDD & RITA

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PETER & ANN WARLOCK

Stage Manager
PAUL GRAHAM

Music
KEITH HURFORD

Bobby Bernard's Clinic

Friday, 18th September.

8 p.m. PATRICK PAGE, who will cover all phases of Sponge Ball magic.

8.45 p.m. GEOFFREY BUCKINGHAM, who will perform and speak on Douglas Dexter's Card Stab and also fully explain his own cards to pocket routine.

SATURDAY, 19th September.

4.30 p.m. PETER WARLOCK, who will cover silk knots and knotting & its uses.

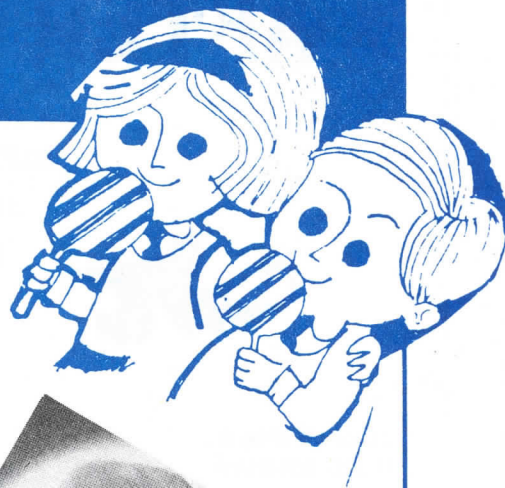
5.15 p.m. TREVOR LEWIS, Covering a wide range of novel and entertaining close-up magic including a new and very clever card force.

CHILDREN'S PLAYTIME

SATURDAY 19th September
Pier Ballroom
10.30 a.m.



Presented and devised by
Wilfred Tyler



★ THE I.B.M. CLOWNS ★ JOHN STYLES

★ JOHNNY GEDDES

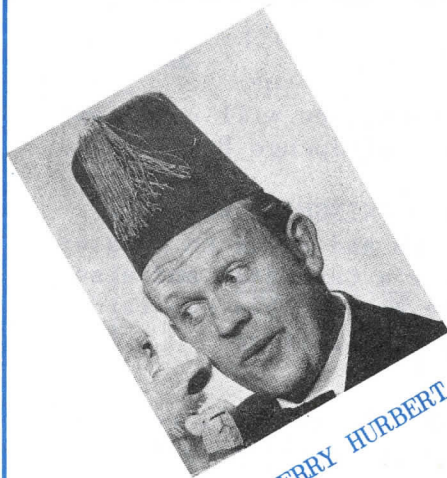
★ VILMA FAWCETT

★ SMOKEY, THE MUSICAL CLOWN

★ DREW MASTERS & TESS



★ DAVID KITE



★ TERRY HURBERT



★ JOE MARSH

This event is in aid of Hastings "WINKLE CLUB" and tickets are not included in registration fees. Advance tickets ... 3/- for adults and 2/- for children ... from Hastings Pier or the White Rock Pavilion. Also obtainable from the Pier Ballroom on the morning of the show.



★ PROGRAMME ★

1. OVERTURE - THE GORDON RIDER TRIO get things in swing whilst the I.B.M. Clowns are in the auditorium warming the youngsters up...
2. The curtains part and none other than that funster from Scotland whom children everywhere love...JOHNNY GEDDES makes his bow and really sets the pace.
3. JOHN STYLES, from Sidcup in Kent will take you on a trip of "MAGICAL MAKE BELIEVE"
4. SMOKEY, the MUSICAL CLOWN will spread happiness and musical fun with his instruments.
5. DAVID KITE from Devonshire certainly intends to be "with it" from the children's point of view and appears as "THE MOD MAGICIAN"

INTERVAL

(again with the I.B.M. Clowns)

6. INTERMISSION - THE GORDON RIDER TRIO will steer you back from the riotous fun brought about by the "Funny Men".
7. JOHNNY GEDDES will be sure to have something special for you to open the second half....
8. TERRY HERBERT, who has kept thousands of children happy at Butlins Camps, intends to repeat many of those successes of Magic.
9. Many here today have had the ambition to be a juggler...it's not easy, ALTHOUGH JOE MARSH, that children's entertainer with juggling from Manchester makes it seem 'Oh, so simple'... but you just try it!
10. As a delightful 'topping' to this 'Magical Salad' you will now sit back and enjoy that beautiful magical act which won the premier award at the I.B.M. 1967 Convention at Southport.. DREW MASTERS and TESS from Glasgow, the SCOTTISH MYSTIC 'MASTERS'.

Throughout the show your Host, Johnny Geddes, will be giving away prizes for lucky people with delightful VILMA FAWCETT helping him.

The I.B.M. Clown Troupe comprises: Jock Armitage, Tommy Talbot, Les Woodcock, Clown Norman, Reg Allen, Jackson Laurie, Len Ware, Dave Barnes, Clown Sorbo, under the leadership of Smokey.

House and Business Manager for British Ring - R. HAMILTON KAYE.

Stage Manager: RICHARD TITE





CLOSE-UP SHOWCASE



10.00 a.m. SATURDAY, 19th September 1970.
QUEENS HOTEL BALLROOM.

Organised by

**FREDERICK
LOWE**

Close-Up Contest for the Zina Bennett Cup

This competition shall be open to all paid up members of Ring 25 (The British Ring) International Brotherhood of Magicians. There shall be two main awards as follows:

- a. The Zina Bennett Trophy and a silver replica which shall be awarded to the performer with the highest marks.
- b. A cash award of £3. to be presented to the runner up.

No restrictions on the effects or properties to be used, except that they be primarily intended for close up performance. The magical judges shall be the sole arbitrators on this point and be empowered to deduct marks as they consider appropriate to the particular instance.

The performance shall not be less than 5 minutes and not more than 9 minutes.

There shall be four magical and one lay judge. The magical judges will mark each contestant under three headings: (a) Technique and skill; (b) Strength of magical effect on an audience; (c) Originality in method and/or presentation. The lay judge shall mark on entertainment only; i.e. how much he or she was entertained by the contestant.

A minimum number of 5 contestants is required for this contest to take place.

The event organiser shall have the authority to invite other performers (non-entrants) to perform on this event, when necessary, to ensure the smooth running of the contest.

A warning will be given when 8 minutes have elapsed and should a performer exceed the maximum time of 9 minutes, he will be disqualified when 9½ minutes have elapsed and such disqualification shall be announced by the judges.



ENTRANTS

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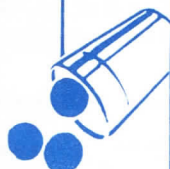
To ensure smooth running of the event some of the following well-known performers will appear (but not as entrants):

ELIZABETH WARLOCK - MIKE ROGERS
WALT ROLLINS - GUS SOUTHALL
FRANCIS HAXTON - FRED LOWE



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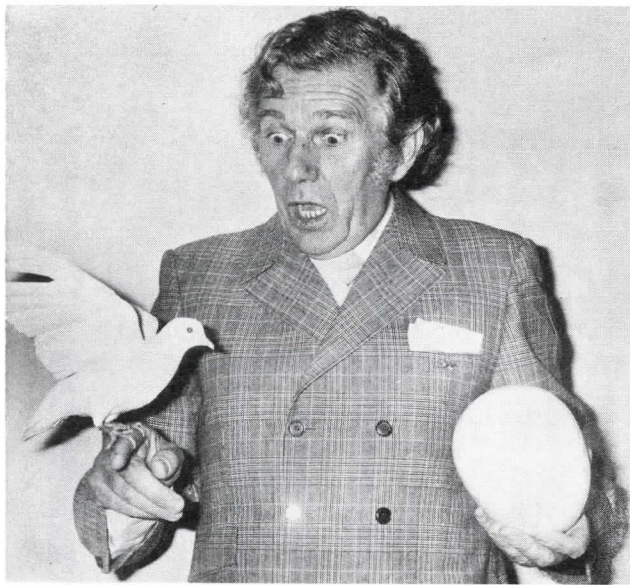
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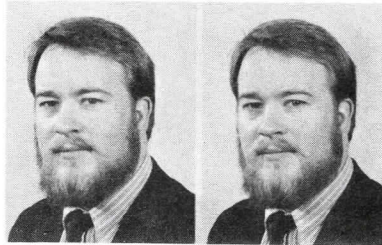
SATURDAY 19th September 1970

Programme arranged by Wm. G. STICKLAND
& Stage Managed by PAUL GRAHAM





HAROLD TAYLOR



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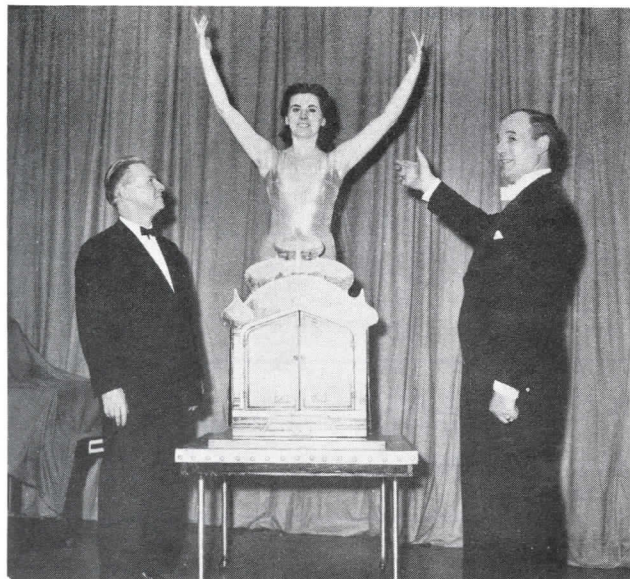
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HAROLD TAYLOR

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3. *Introducing our Compere* - **HAROLD TAYLOR**
4. *Winners of 1969 British Ring Shield*
TONY SHELLEY & ELIZABETH
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5. **ROY BAKER** - *Sensational Comedy Magician*
6. *From France*
HORACE
The Unusual Manipulator
7. *From Sweden*
TOPPER MARTIN
The World's 4th Worst Magician
8. **THE AMAZING FOGEL**
presents his death defying
"RUSSIAN ROULETTE"

Interval



ROY BAKER



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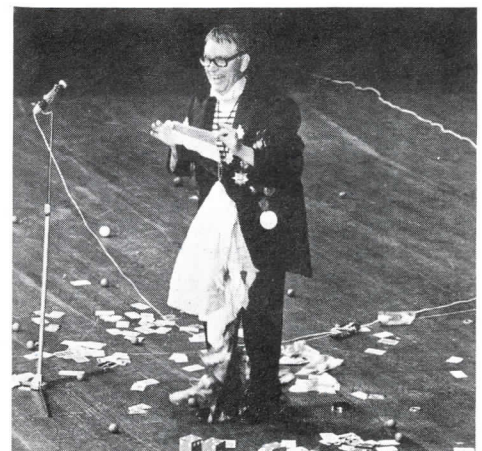
TONY SHELLEY & ELIZABETH

9. **KEITH HURFORD** & *his Music*
10. **RAY & JACKIE PENN**
11. *The Comedy Prince of Magic*
SHEK BEN ALI
12. *The Renowned International Manipulator*
VIGGO JAHN (Denmark)
13. *Holland's Inventive Magician*
GOOCHEL-FLIP
"Duplo-Magic"
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The programme is subject to alteration



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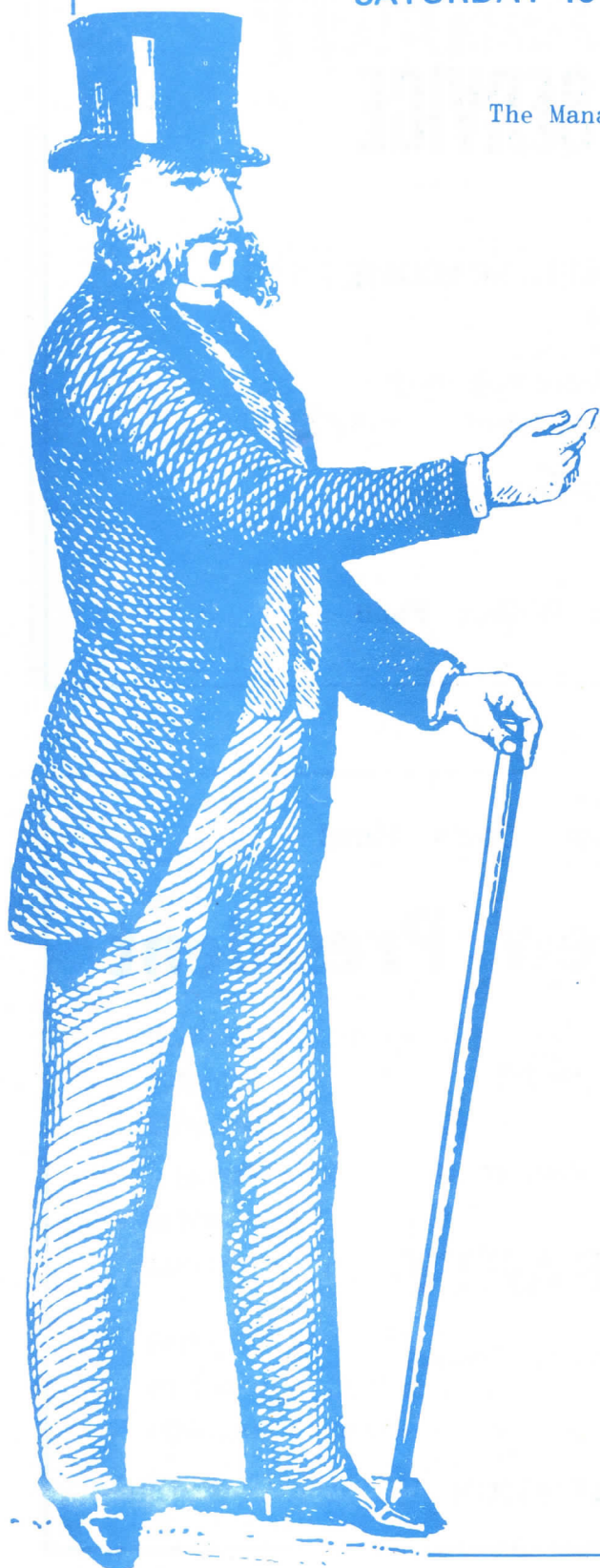
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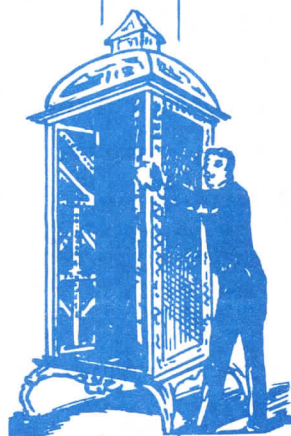
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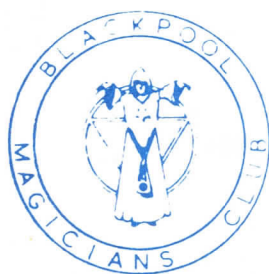


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