



**Annual Convention  
Harrogate  
September 14<sup>th</sup>—18<sup>th</sup>**



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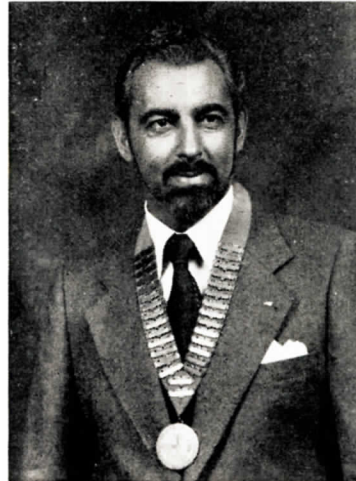
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**From the President**  
**DAVID BERGLAS, Esq.**



Welcome to Harrogate all Magicians, friends and guests to this, the 41st Convention of the I.B.M. (British Ring No. 25).

As this is the Queen's Silver Jubilee Year, I would like to extend a very special welcome to our many overseas visitors.

Regular members will know that we alternate our Conventions between the South and North of England and I was therefore delighted that we were returning to this famous Spa Resort, which has given us some very pleasant and outstanding Conventions in the past years. We appreciate the hospitality that the Civic Authorities are extending to us here in Harrogate and we look forward to an enjoyable evening at the Civic Reception, which will be graced by the Mayor and Mayoress.

For those of you who are unable to attend, for whatever reason, I know that you will be with us in thought and our sincerest wish is that you will be able to join us next year.

The superb planning and organisation by our committee is greatly appreciated and I am sure that this Convention will be another great success and a tribute to their hard work.

Should this be your first Convention I hope that you will experience the friendship of our Brotherhood to the fullest and by asking the Stewards to introduce you to other members, you will make many lifelong friends in Magic, as I have.

*Here's to a happy and memorable Convention !*

DAVID BERGLAS, President  
International Brotherhood of Magicians  
(British Ring No. 25)



**From International President  
JEFFERY ATKINS, Esq., J.P.**



As International President of the International Brotherhood of Magicians I send greetings to all Magicians attending the Forty-First Annual Convention of the British Ring No. 25.

I am especially proud that in this Jubilee Year it falls to me to represent our wonderful world wide organization. I have these past many years been closely associated with the affairs and running of the British Ring Conventions and am well aware that our members throughout the world look upon the British Ring as a bright star in our Brotherhood.

The many overseas visitors, who are always so well entertained, have good reason to appreciate the hospitality which is always so readily offered by Ring No. 25.

Magicians throughout the world will wish to be associated with this, my message of good wishes to the British Ring, the largest Ring in our International Brotherhood and it is our wish that this Convention in the wonderful surroundings of Harrogate will long remain in your memories as an outstanding event.

**JEFFERY ATKINS**  
International President





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HARROGATE  
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I am delighted to have this opportunity to send a warm and sincere greeting and welcome to the delegates to the Conference of the International Brotherhood of Magicians which is to be held in Harrogate in September next.

My Colleagues on the Council and I proudly assert that Harrogate is a leading Conference Centre, and I am sure you will agree that the facilities we can offer are second to none.

Not only that but Harrogate is a lovely town, with wide open spaces, magnificent gardens, exclusive shops and varied entertainments, and it is set in one of the loveliest districts in England. Knaresborough with its Castle and Dropping Well, Ripon with its Cathedral and ancient Market, Pateley Bridge and Masham in the heart of the dales, are all within the boundaries of the Harrogate District, and I am sure you will find great delight in the whole area, and will want to come again to explore the many beauties at leisure.

The Mayoress and I look forward to being with you on this important occasion, and will try to meet personally as many of you as we can.

Yours sincerely,



Mayor.

# THE BRITISH RING

(I.B.M.)

*extends a hearty welcome to our*

## OVERSEAS VISITORS

### BELGIUM

Claud Isbeque (Klingsor)  
President F.I.S.M.  
President Belgian Ring  
I.B.M.

### CANADA

Gerard Dietrich  
Reginald Holden  
Madge Howard  
Bruce Posgate  
Len Vintus  
Founder and First  
President I.B.M.

### DENMARK

Gentleman Jack  
Peter & J. Borsch  
Miss J. Weidescamp

### FRANCE

Jeon Poisson

### GERMANY

Manfred Thumm (Magic  
Hands)  
Fred Van Thom  
Ronny Rex.

### HOLLAND

Henk Vermeyden—Secretary  
F.I.S.M.  
Ger Copper  
Frans Biemans  
Bab Neinhaus  
Co. Voerman  
Anverdi  
John Aukes

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Michael Rogers  
A. J. Sharp  
A. P. Thursby

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Mr. Fabian

### MALTA

George Sanderson

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Professor Peller

### SPAIN

Manuel Gines Penaranda

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International Magigals  
Henk Lees  
Mr. Rodman  
Walter Williams  
(Immediate Past  
International  
President, I.B.M.)  
Bill Gledhill

### ZAMBIA

Dominic Lavin



### NOTE TO OVERSEAS VISITORS

YOU ARE REQUESTED TO BE AT THE ROYAL HALL (BACKSTAGE) at 19.30 hours on Wednesday 14th September, for OFFICIAL INTRODUCTION. Please ask for Jack Griggs, near the stage.

THE MAYOR and MAYORESS of HARROGATE (Councillor and Mrs. W. R. Mather), invite all Overseas Visitors to a COCKTAIL PARTY at the Royal Hall (Reception Room), on Saturday, 17th September, at 11.00.

At the **NIGHT BEFORE PARTY** the presentation by **ALFRED GABRIEL** of

## 'NEW FACES'

in which the following will appear

CLEM BAILEY, JIM BEAVIS, BILL CALDWELL, DAVID JOHN  
THE RONANS, SOL (H. C. SOLOMON), BARBI WALKER

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**WEDNESDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER, 11.00**

**THE CRESCENT GARDENS**

## THE CIRCULAR SAW ESCAPE

Shackled to a moving belt **ERIC WARD** will be in the path  
of a fearsome Electric Saw.

IS IT POSSIBLE FOR THIS ESCAPOLOGIST TO ESCAPE  
IN TIME ?

COME ALONG AND SEE . . . . .!!!

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**WEDNESDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER, 14.45**

**ROYAL HALL**

THE  
**OFFICIAL OPENING  
OF THE CONVENTION**

By the President  
**DAVID BERGLAS, Esq.**



WEDNESDAY 14th SEPTEMBER at 15.00

THE ROYAL HALL

# INTERNATIONAL SHOW

with Compere

**PAUL DIAMOND** (U.S.A.)

who will introduce

**LEON LEON** (U.S.A.)

**FRED VON THOM** (Germany)

**CO VOERMAN** (Holland)

**Professor PELLER** (Nigeria)

**DOMINIC LAVIN** (Zambia)

At the Organ — **Keith Hurford**

At the Drums — **Horace Jeffery**

WEDNESDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER, 20.15

ROYAL HALL

# CIVIC RECEPTION BALL AND CABARET

given by

**THE MAYOR AND MAYORESS OF HARROGATE**

Councillor and Mrs. W. R. Mather

**DANCING TILL MIDNIGHT with the JIMMY O'SHOW BAND**

## CABARET

Mr. **FABIAN** (Italy)

**RON RIVERS**

the popular multi-instrumentalist



## TOMBOLA STAND

**HELENE STRACHAN AND LILIAN LEES**

Look forward to meeting you all at the Tombola Stand. Please come along and give us your support. All the proceeds are for our **BENEVOLENT FUND**.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking all the Members who have given Gifts and help in any way, and it is so encouraging to be able to count on so many generous friends.

Yours sincerely,

**HELENE AND LILIAN**

# DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR

Organised by **Johnny Neptune**

Assisted by **Bill Scott**

WEDNESDAY	9.30 a.m.—7.30 p.m.
THURSDAY	12.00 noon—6.30 p.m.
FRIDAY	11.30 a.m.—6.30 p.m.
SATURDAY	9.30 a.m.—6.30 p.m.
SUNDAY	9.30 a.m.—Midday

Held in the **EXHIBITION HALL No. 3 attached to the Royal Hall**

The following Magical Dealers will be represented

ANVERDI	ELIZABETH McMILLAN—BOOKSELLER
AVTEL PRODUCTS	MAGICCASSETTES—Martin Breese
KEN BROOKE'S MAGIC PLACE	MAGIC BOOKS BY POST
CAMTRYX (MAGIC) LIMITED	THE MAGIC HANDS
MIKE CAVENEY	MAGICTRIX
L. DAVENPORT & CO.	MINI-MAGIC—Alan Warner
PAUL DIAMOND	MURRAY'S MAGIC MART
PETER DIAMOND & CO.	TOM OWEN'S UNIVERSAL MAGIC
CLAUDE EDWARDS & PARTNER	PLAYTIME BALLOONS
GOOCHELSTUDIO AUKES	PROPS (Ian & Bernice Ogilvy)
DAVID HEMINGWAY	R A R MAGIC
HOCUS POCUS MAGIC	GEOFF RAY
JACK HUGHES	REPRO 71
INTERNATIONAL MAGIC STUDIO	JOE RIDING
HAMILTON KAYE & CO.	SOUTHERN MAGIC
KOVARI MAGIC PRODUCTIONS LTD.	THE SUPREME MAGIC COMPANY LTD
HANK LEE'S MAGIC FACTORY	WALTER SWANTON
CLIFF LOUNT'S BRADFORD MAGIC STUDIO	TAURUS MAGIC SUPPLY
LUNA MAGIC CO.	TERRY & NORMA
	MISS TERRY MAGIC STUDIO

Refreshment Bars will be open in the Exhibition Hall.

The Organisers would like to thank all Dealers for appearing at this **BRITISH RING CONVENTION**. It is hoped that conventioners will do their utmost to support the Dealers in their efforts.

**THE CRAIG TROPHY** — (Present Holders : Peter Diamond and Co.)

This will be awarded to the Dealer presenting the most attractive display at the Exhibition. The adjudication will take place on Wednesday at 5.00 p.m.

**Adjudicator** — **Mr. Tony A. Miles**, Director of Resort Services, Council of the Borough of Harrogate.

**Entry to The Dealers' Trade Fair will be by Convention Badge ONLY and this rule will be strictly enforced by the commissionaires.**



THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER, 9.30 a.m.

ROYAL HALL

## DEALERS' DEMONSTRATION

Arranged by JOHNNY NEPTUNE

Times and Order of Appearance

1. 9.30 a.m. AVTEL PRODUCTS
2. 9.36 a.m. SOUTHERN MAGIC
3. 9.42 a.m. CAMTRYX (MAGIC) LIMITED
4. 9.48 a.m. MAGICCASSETTES — Martin Breese
5. 9.54 a.m. MIKE CAVENEY
6. 10.00 a.m. CLAUDE EDWARDS AND PARTNER
7. 10.06 a.m. PROPS (Ian and Bernice Ogilvy)
8. 10.12 a.m. MAGIC BOOKS BY POST
9. 10.18 a.m. CLIFF LOUNT'S BRADFORD MAGIC STUDIO
10. 10.24 a.m. HOCUS POCUS MAGIC
11. 10.30 a.m. ANVERDI
12. 10.36 a.m. LUNA MAGIC CO
13. 10.42 a.m. PLAYTIME BALOONS
14. 10.48 a.m. MINI-MAGIC — Alan Warner
15. 10.54 a.m. MAGICTRIX
16. 11.00 a.m. KOVARI MAGIC PRODUCTIONS LIMITED
17. 11.06 a.m. L. DAVENPORT AND CO
18. 11.12 a.m. MURRAY'S MAGIC MART
19. 11.18 a.m. REPRO 71
20. 11.24 a.m. JOE RIDING
21. 11.30 a.m. THE SUPREME MAGIC COMPANY LIMITED
22. 11.36 a.m. R A R MAGIC
23. 11.42 a.m. INTERNATIONAL MAGIC STUDIO
24. 11.48 a.m. HANK LEE'S MAGIC FACTORY
25. 11.54 a.m. PETER DIAMOND AND CO
26. 12.00 a.m. HAMILTON KAYE AND CO
27. 12.06 p.m. DAVID HEMINGWAY
28. 12.12 p.m. JACK HUGHES
29. 12.18 p.m. TERRY AND NORMA
30. 12.24 p.m. THE MAGIC HANDS
31. 12.30 p.m. TOM OWEN'S UNIVERSAL MAGIC
32. 12.36 p.m. PAUL DIAMOND
33. 12.42 p.m. WALTER SWANTON
34. 12.48 p.m. TAURUS MAGIC SUPPLY

Timekeeper—**Doug Jones**

Dealer Liaison—**Bill Scott, Eric McDonald, Hugh Gillies**

Stage Staff — **Arthur Settington, David Haggarty, Tony Wyatt**

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 very large number of Demonstrations and in the interest of all the above, times will be strictly adhered to. This is Mammoth Demonstration and in fairness to the first Artiste, **please be seated in good time.** The curtain will rise at 9.30 a.m. **promptly.**

THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER, 14.30

MAJESTIC HOTEL

## THE LADIES' AFTERNOON

A talk and film demonstration

**THE MAGIC OF WEDGWOOD**

By Clement Bailey, Esq.

To complete the occasion there will be **TEA**  
followed by **RAFFLE** for the Welfare Fund  
and **BINGO**

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### THE STEWARDS

GILBERT K. BARKER  
CYRIL CAPON  
SISSIE ENTWISTLE  
GEORGE HATTON  
BARRY A. LAMOND  
Dr. Mc KEE  
HARRY SHELDARD  
LES WOODCOCK



**JACK GRIGGS**  
Chief Steward

# AMERICA'S STAR LECTURERS



**THURSDAY — SEPTEMBER 15th at 14.30**  
in the **ROYAL HALL**



**GENE ANDERSON**  
“The Part Time Pro”

**SATURDAY — SEPTEMBER 16th at 14.00**  
in the **ROYAL HALL**

**PAUL DIAMOND**  
“A Diamond is a  
Magician's Best  
Friend”



Chairman — **PETER WARLOCK**



**THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER, 16.00**

## HOSPITALS/HOMES SHOWS

The allocation of venues are as follows. All shows commence at 4.30 p.m. sharp. Those in the competitions the same evening should arrange with the compere of their particular show to be placed early on in their programme. This year we would ask all those concerned in these shows to arrange their own transport to the venues. It is increasingly difficult to make provision for this because of parking arrangements. However, if anyone is really "stuck" and will have a word with me, I will do my best to fix something, though I hope the requests will be few. Maps will be available as per usual on the Thursday morning immediately after the "Dearlers Dem" Show. I shall be available in the auditorium at this time to deal with any queries.

WILFRED TYLER

**HARROGATE AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL,  
Knaresborough Road, Harrogate (Stage Show)**

Alan Oldfield  
Robert Grigor  
Freddie Firth  
Michael Rogers  
Richard Stupple  
Arthur Settington  
**Compere** : Joe Scoble  
**Stage Manager** : Tony Barnard  
**Pianist** : Charles Wilson

**ROYAL BATH HOSPITAL,  
Cornwall Road, Harrogate (Stage Show)**

Mo. Howarth  
William Warne  
Tudor Brock  
Clarence Thorne  
Johnny Maire  
Keno  
**Compere** : Clem Bailey  
**Stage Manager** : Harry Benson  
**Pianist** : Ernie Tonge

**POLICE SUPERINTENDENT  
CONVALESCENT HOME,  
Harlow Moor Road, Harrogate (Close-up)**

Donald Cronbie  
Christopher Pratt  
Michael Seacome  
Francis Haxton  
Rovi  
Fred Castle  
**Host** : Eddie Dawes  
**Stage Manager** : Brian Barnes

**NATION CHILDRENS HOME,  
Pannal Ash Road, Harrogate (Stage Show).**

Douglas Gregg  
Robert Rae  
John Pye  
Lou Flynn and Dorothy  
Martin Grundy  
Les. Jennings  
**Compere** : Johnny Geddes  
**Stage Manager** : Cliff Osman  
**Pianist** : Norman Thomas

**IAN TETLEY MEMORIAL HOME,  
Killinghall, Harrogate (Stage Show)**

Drew Masters and Tess  
Mel Harvey and Presto  
Sly Smith  
Ken Savage  
Robert Swadling  
Percy Best  
**Compere** : Les Nottle  
**Stage Manager** : Bob Haydon  
**Pianist** : Alec Garner

**ST. GEORGE'S HOME FOR THE DISABLED,  
Otley Road, Harrogate. (Stag Show).**

Jack Meredith  
Peter Rae  
Jack Delvin  
Roy Darnley  
De Jay  
Sol  
**Compere** : John Palfreyman  
**Stage Manager** : Harry Postlethwaite  
**Pianist** : David Ratcliff

Members who would like to see these shows will be most welcome at the venue . . . and in fact their numbers are growing each year. BUT own transport must be arranged.

**THURSDAY, 15h SEPTEMBER—ROYAL HALL at 20.00**



**ALASTAIR**  
has organised and will introduce  
the competitors in the Competition for the  
**NEW SILVER**  
**BRITISH RING SHIELD**

*Judges* : Donald Crombie (Chairman), Tom Ellis, Tommy Rowe, T. Miles.  
*Musical Director* : Alfred Gabriel  
*Timekeeper* : Jack Potter

**RULES AND AWARDS**

Rules relating to the Competition the awards of which are

**1. THE NEW SILVER BRITISH RING SHIELD and Cash Prize.**

This will be awarded for the most entertaining magical act and is held for one year.

**2. THE CONVENTIONEERS TROPHY**

The greatest originality shown in effect, method or presentation and is held for one year.

**3. THE CRAIG TROPHY**

For the performance by a lady magician who, in the opinion of the judges is worthy of this prize, and is held for one year.

**THEO. SPEAKER CUP and Cash Prize for runner-up.**

To be held for one year.

**THIRD PRIZE—Cash Prize and Silver Wand presented by ALASTAIR**

**TOM HARRIS CUP (Comedy) (donated by Tom Harris) Together with Cash Prize**

**DITTIA SHIELD (Manipulation)**

1. These Competitions shall be open to all members of The British Ring providing (i) that they are fully paid up and accepted member or (ii) that application for membership shall have been received by the Secretary by the last day of May preceding the Competition.
2. The Management Committee of the Society shall appoint five Judges, including at the discretion of the Committee prominent visiting Magicians, together with a Chairman, who is also a member of the Society, and they will be responsible for the adjudication of the various awards. In the event of a tie the Chairman shall have a casting vote.
3. If any member of the panel of Judges has been responsible for the production, tuition or guidance by way of advice to any competitor or feels that his personal relationship with any competitor may embarrass him, he must inform the Hon. Secretary and stand down and allow for a replacement to be made.
4. There is no bar upon the number of awards that a competitor can win; it is possible for a male entrant to win the British Ring Shield, the Conventioneers' Trophy, the Dittia Shield and the Tom Harris Cup, whilst a lady entrant could win the British Ring Shield, also the Conventioneers' Trophy, Tom Harris Cup, Dittia Shield and Craig Trophy.
5. The length of a competitor's act should not exceed ten minutes. A yellow warning light and buzzer will indicate nine minutes and a red light ten minutes. At ten and a half minutes the competitor will automatically be disqualified and such disqualification will be announced from the stage before the appearance of the next act.
6. Competitors who wish to be judged for manipulative skill, comedy or originality shall, when completing the necessary entry form, give notice of such intention and will be marked accordingly. Further, such intention shall be shown in the published list of competitors.
7. The Judges shall have power to withhold any award if, in their opinion, the act or acts do not reach the required standard.
8. A previous British Ring Shield winner shall not be allowed to enter and present the same act. There is, however, no bar to the presentation of a different act.
9. Any competitor who has taken part in the Competition for three successive years and failed to qualify for an award shall, unless the Committee of Management deem otherwise, have a waiting period of two years before entering again.
10. The ballot for order of appearance shall take place publicly not less than 24 hours preceding the competition.
11. The presentation of every act should be considered as family entertainment and should be in good taste.
12. Closing date for entries shall be notified in 'The Budget.'
13. Any matter not covered by the foregoing rules shall be decided by the Committee of Management whose decision shall be final.
14. All trophy winners shall hold their award for a period of one year and such award must be returned to the Hon. Secretary in a presentable condition at least 2 days prior to the day scheduled for the competition.

FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER at 10.00 in the ROYAL HALL

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MEMBERS ONLY ADMITTED

*Chairman*

DAVID BERGLAS, Esq.

NOTE—Printed Agenda will be handed to each Member.

Voting Papers must be left at the Reception Desk  
not later than 16.00, THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER

Returning Officer: Rex Reader, Esq.

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## ORGANISERS

THE GALA SHOW	...	William (Bill) G. Stickland
REGISTRATION	...	Jeffery Atkins
BANQUET	...	Francis Haxton
COLLECTORS' SEMINAR	...	Professor E. A. Dawes
DEALERS' EXHIBITION	...	Johnny Neptune
DEALERS' DEMONSTRATION	...	Johnny Neptune
OUTSIDE ATTRACTION	...	Eric Ward
THE LECTURES, SOUVENIR PROGRAMME AND "THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT"	...	Peter Warlock
AFTER BANQUET SHOW	...	Geoffrey Robinson
LADIES' AFTERNOON	...	The Ladies' Committee
SHIELD COMPETITION	...	Alastair Oliphant
CHILDREN'S PLAYTIME AND HOSPITAL SHOWS	...	Wilfred Tyler
CLOSE-UP COMPETITION AND CLOSE-UP	...	Mike Gancia
COCKTAIL PARTY	...	Eddie and Mollie Dexter
STAGE DIRECTION	...	Paul Graham
STEWARDS	...	Jack Griggs
FILM SHOW	...	Mr. & Mrs. Colin Hughes



FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER at 15.00 in the ROYAL HALL

PETER WARLOCK

*presents*

**“THAT’S  
ENTERTAINMENT”**

Those taking part will be—

CLEM BAILEY

DUNCAN FLETCHER and OLIVE

TERRY HERBERT

MO HOWARTH

TREVOR LEWIS

DEAN METCALFE

PERCY PRESS

MICHAEL SYMES

JOHN TODD et AL

CLAUDE PERRY

*At the Organ*—KEITH HURFORD

*At the Drums*—HORACE JEFFERY

*Stage Management*—RON LANGHORN, BARRY MILLER, PAUL GRAHAM

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At 14.45 SHARP

**THE SHIELD COMPETITION AWARDS**

**WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE PRESIDENT, DAVID BERGLAS, ESQ.**

**FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER**  
**17.00 for 17.30**

**MAJESTIC HOTEL**

## CONVENTION BANQUET

### MENU

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*Quiche Lorraine*

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*Poached Fillet of Sole Bonne Femme*

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*Roast Turkey*  
*Minted Peas*  
*Brussels Sprouts*  
*Croquette Potatoes*

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*Profiteroles*  
*Hot Chocolate Sauce*

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*Coffee and Mints*

### TOASTS

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THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE  
*Proposed by Jeffery Atkins, Esq., J.P.,*  
International President, I.B.M.

*Response by His Worship the Mayor*  
of Harrogate, Councillor W. R. Mather  
*who will also propose the Toast of*

THE BRITISH RING

*Response by the President,*  
David Berglas, Esq.,  
*who will also propose the Toast to*

THE LADIES AND VISITORS

*Response by Bruce Posgate, Esq.,*  
I.B.M. (Canada)

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*Toastmaster — W. Lambert*

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20.30

**THE ROYAL HALL**

## THE AFTER BANQUET SHOW

1. Introducing our compere — **RON BETTERIDGE**
2. **RUSS STEVENS.** The Brilliant Young Magician
3. **CHRIS PRATT.** This and That.
4. **ELINOR HESLOP.** The Charming Vocalist
5. **Mr. FABIAN** (Italy) Balloon Antics
6. **JULIE LLUSION.** The Delightful Miss of Mystery
7. **MIKE CAVENEY.** Magic from the U.S.A.
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th

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**MAJESTIC HOTEL**

## **CLOSE-UP MAGIC**

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th, 10.30, ROYAL HALL**

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## **INSTALLATION OF NEW PRESIDENT**

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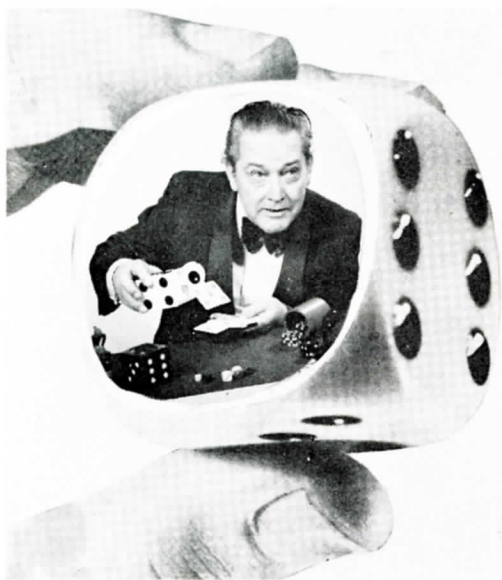
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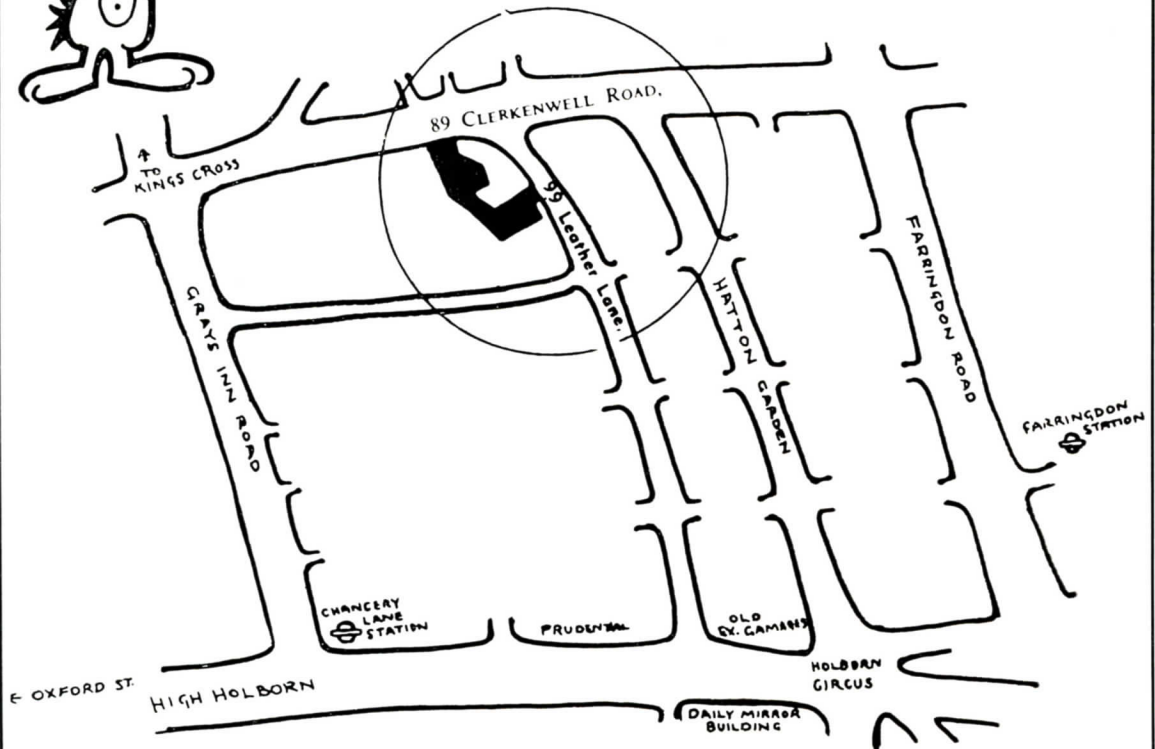
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