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63rd ANNUAL CONVENTION of the INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS BRITISH RING 25

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British Ring No 25



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mary and I are delighted to welcome you to The British Ring's 63rd Annual Convention here in Llandudno. We have very pleasant memories of previous visits to North Wales and, as this is the climax to our Presidential year, we know this is going to be another happy and memorable occasion which we hope you will all share with us.

An event of this magnitude takes almost two years of careful planning to make it a success and on your behalf I must thank Jeff Atkins, our secretary, for his dedicated attention to detail over many years that makes our conventions among the best in the world.

May I also thank the Artistes, Dealers, Lecturers, Stewards, Backstage Staff and your committee, all of whom will work hard to make this convention the success it's bound to be.

I sincerely hope that those who cannot be with us through illness will soon be back to good health and be able to join us next year. Our thoughts will be with you.

Mary and I consider it both a great honour and a privilege to have served as your President and Lady since the last convention. Thank you most sincerely to all the people who have been so kind to us at the numerous functions we have attended over the last 12 months, making it a most enjoyable and memorable year.

We wish everyone a happy Convention, many thanks for joining us - Please come and say hello.

RICHARD STUPPLE
PRESIDENT OF BRITISH RING NO 25
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS.





THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of my family, Donna, Jerry Jr. Christopher and myself, I would like to thank you for inviting us to share the magic and friendship of the 63rd British Ring convention in Llandudno. I have anticipated this visit since my term as your International President began a short three months ago.

It is wonderful to relax, renew old acquaintances, and learn some magic while making new friends with our Brothers in the British Ring. We are first time visitors to the British Isles and are anxiously anticipating visiting your beautiful countryside and personally meeting as many fellow conventioneers as possible. Please share your ideas for the future of the IBM with me, so together we can make the IBM, a unified and great magical organisation that stretches its arm of Brotherhood across the water to reach all rings and all magicians.

I am proud and honoured to represent you as your President as together we move our magical vision into the new millennium.

Jerry Schnepp International President International Brotherhood of Magicians





A message from the Chairman of the Council

I was very pleased to be asked to prepare a message of welcome for your Conference Programme and indeed to be asked to join you at your Conference here in North Wales at the end of September.

Conwy County Borough Council is proud of the excellent conference facilities at the North Wales Conference Centre which, together with the excellent countryside and accommodation, makes this area of North Wales a most popular conference venue. The diversity of conferences is vast but I am particularly looking forward to the International Brotherhood of Magicians visit which I am sure will be most stimulating.

May I wish you all a most interesting and enjoyable conference not for only the business programme but also the social side of the event and the opportunity to renew the many friendships made on such occasions.

Graham Rees

Councillor Graham Rees, J.P.

Tuesday September 28th 19.30 hours onwards

Conference Centre

REGISTRATION OFFICE OPENS

After you have registered you can chat in the Ocean Bar until 20.30 hours when you can

VISIT THE DEALERS

N.B. No admission unless wearing a badge

Wednesday September 29th 09.30 hours

The North WalesTheatre

MAGIC OF THE DEALERS

Tony Shelley
Will introduce the

Magic Dealers
Who will demonstrate their

LATEST ITEMS

After which you may enter the Dealers' Hall to view the

GIGANTIC DISPLAY

Of Magic



At the keyboard: DAVE CASS

Tony Shelley is assisted by John Palfreyman

DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR

arranged by Tony Shelley

Held in the Exhibition Hall adjacent to The North Wales Theatre

Tuesday	20.00 - 22.30
Wednesday	9.30 - 17.30
Thursday	9.30 - 17.30
Friday	10.30 - 17.00
Saturday	9.30 - 17.30
Sunday	9.30 - 12.00

The following Magical Dealers will be represented:

ALL DECKED OUT	MEL'S MAGIC CO.
B. & AASTRA	MERLIN'S MAGIC
BALLOON PARADE	MISS TERRY
BANSHEE MAGIC	MJR BALLOONS
BRADBURY-HUGHES CREATIONS	OPUS MAGAZINE
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CAMTRYX	PAT FALLON
CASTLE MAGIC SERVICES	PATRICK PAGE
CLIFF LOUNT	PAUL HOWARD PRO MAGIC
DAN GARRETT	PENNYWISE MAGIC
DARIUS	PETER LEVINS(JACK MILLER)
EXCLUSIVE MAGIC (SMETS)	PETER SCARLETT MAGIC
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KEITH BENNETT	RON GILBERT
KLW MAGIC (Peter Ward)	SHAUN YEE
KOONTZ & CO.	STEPHEN TUCKER
KOVARI MAGIC	SWADLING MAGIC
KR PROFESSIONAL MAGIC	TABARAY
LAFLINS MAGIC	TAURUS MAGIC SUPPLY
MAGIC BOOKS BY POST	TERRY & NORMA
MAGIC BY DESIGN	THE CARD COLLECTION
MAGIC NOVELTY BOX	TOM OWEN
MAGICAL WONDERS	TONY CURTIS MAGIC
MAGICTRIX	WALLIS'S WONDERS
MARK LEVERIDGE MAGIC	WHO'S WHO IN MAGIC

The organizers would like to thank all the Dealers for Appearing at this British Ring Convention. It is hoped that conventioneers will support the Dealers in their efforts.

THE CRAIG TROPHY

This will be awarded to the Dealer presenting the most attractive display at the exhibition. The displays will be judged on the morning of Thursday 30th September.

ENTRANCE BY CONVENTION BADGE ONLY



STAR LECTURE



John Pye will introduce

RICH BLOCH

'Magic of the USA'



THE EDDIE DEXTER WELFARE STAND

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GIFTS • NOVELTIES • RAFFLES • COMPETITIONS

Please support your Welfare Stand Why not buy your "take home" presents here?

Cynthia Neptune and her helpers look forward to meeting all Conventioneers at the stand and thank everyone for their support.

DON'T MISS THE AUCTION OF UNSOLD GOODS AND PRE-USED MAGICAL APPARATUS, BOOKS, AND MEMORABILIA

At approximately 16.15 hours on Saturday

Wednesday September 29th 14 20 hours

The North Wales Theatre

OFFICIAL OPENING

of the

1999 Convention

by

The President Richard Stupple Esq.

In the presence of

The Chairman of Conwy County Borough Council

Councillor Graham Rees J.P.

Followed by

A WELCOME TO WALES

From the Choir of Eiras High School Under the direction of Mrs Catherine Penrose

And introducing

Scott & Fraser McDonald

LET THE MAGIC BEGIN

Terry Herbert

will introduce

Mr 'E' & The Illusionists (Wales)
R. G. Smith (USA)
Gregory Wilson (USA)
Brian Miller & Audrey (England)

At the keyboard: Dave Cass



WELCOME

to our

OVERSEAS VISITORS

who are requested to meet

Mr John Palfreyman

in the Bar area by the Registration Desk at 18.45 hours on Wednesday September 29th

prior to the Wayne Dobson Illusion Show

Wednesday September 29th 16.30 hours

St Davids Suite Conference Centre



STAR LECTURE



Mike Gancia

Will introduce

TONNY VAN RHEE

Magic for Connoisseurs

SPECIAL EVENTS

In Meeting Rooms 3 & 4 adjacent to the Registration Desk on the ground floor

Wednesday 16.30 hours Thursday 10.00 hours Friday 11.00 hours

RON GILBERT

Will hold a workshop on

PUPPET ANIMATION





DERREN BROWN

Requests your indulgence for a spell of Hypnotism & Mind Magic

You may visit these attractions on any day.

Accommodation is limited.

The North Wales Theatre

Wednesday September 29th 19 30 hours

The Chairman of Conwy County Borough Council, Councillor Graham M. Rees J.P. and Mrs Rees, together with The President of The British Ring and The President of The International Brotherhood of Magicians will receive the

OVERSEAS VISITORS

The Flagbearers: Pupils of the Pearl Shaw School of Dance followed by



THE WAYNE DOBSON

Comedy and Illusion show

With Special Guest Artiste
PHILLIP HITCHCOCK

TOMBOLA

MEL NEWSOME, his lady JILL, and HELPERS look forward to meeting you all at the Welfare Stand, please come along and give your support. All the proceeds are for the Benevolent & Welfare Funds.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking all the members who have given gifts and help in any way.

Yours sincerely Mel, Jill, and Helpers



Thursday September 29th 09.00 hours

St Davids Suite Conference Centre

CLOSE-UP COMPETITION

for the

ZINA BENNETT TROPHY



arranged by MIKE GANCIA

Competitors at time of going to press

Alan Astra Stevenage, Herts

Alex Bremner Salisbury

David Courcelle St Helens, Merseyside

Trevor Dawson Whalley, Lancashire

Peter Gardner Stevenage, Herts

Andi Gladwin Newent, Glos

Paul Hallas Huddersfield, Yorks

Etienne Pradier Wye, Kent

Peter Roberts Todmorden, Lancs

Trevor Stone Woodthorpe, Yorks

Chairman of the Judges: Tony Shelley

Thursday September 29th 10.00 hours

Meeting Rooms 3 & 4 Conference Centre

'Puppet Animation' Workshop - Ron Gilbert

Derren Brown invites you to his spells of Hypnotism & Mind Magic

Thursday September 30th 11.45 hours

The North Wales Theatre

Jeffery Atkins

Takes great pleasure in introducing

GAY BLACKSTONE

presenting



HOSPITAL AND SPECIAL VENUE SHOWS

Organised by

Derek McFaull

Tuesday Sept 28th 14.15-15.30hrs

Stroke Club, Llandudno

Reporter: Carol Pye

Gateway Club Map ref I6 Canol fan Yr Orsedd Compere: Mike Habbershaw Barry Black Doreen Travis Derek Travis (vent) Stage manager: Derrick Parsons

Wednesday Sept 29th 19.30-21.00hrs

John Groom's Hotel (Adult disabled)
West Parade, West Shore, Map ref F4
Compere: Ian Wesley
Maurice Page
Margaret MacLean
David Haggerty
Brian Stringer (Vent)
Stage Manager: Duncan MacLean
Reporter: Derek McFaull

Thursday Sept 30th 13.30-14.45hrs

Ysgol Gogarth, Llandudno (3 - 19 yr olds)

Map ref F12
Compere: Peter Greenwood
Brian Stringer (Vent)
Taffy the Clown (Ian James)
Arthur Setterington
Denby the Robot (James Hall) assisted
by Peter Greenwood
Reporter and Stage Manager: David
Webb

Thursday Sept 30th 13.30-14.45hrs

Ysgol Craig, Bryn Ellian School, Colwyn Bay

See copy map
Compere: Syd Slavny
Keno & Pamela
Aidan Heritage
Clive Hemsley (Emazdad)
Smartie Artie (James Butler)
H. John Fox
Reporter: Sid Slavny



Thursday Sept 30th 14.00-15.30hrs

Lions Club, Llandudno (Retired people)

Community Centre,
Trinity Avenue (Main Hall), Map ref F5
Compere: Michael Austin
Brian Nye
Margaret MacLean
David Haggerty
Michael Austin
Sheila Wainwright (Vocalist)
Stan Neale (Keyboards)
Stage Manager: Duncan MacLean

Thursday Sept 30th 13.45-15.00hrs

Llandudno Day Hospital

Reporter: Arnold Isaacs

Abercrombie Ward, Map ref I6 Reporter & Compere: Mike Habbershaw Ina Cuthbert James Cuthbert Mike Alford Mike Habbershaw

Thursday Sept 30th 13.45-15.00hrs

Tir Morfa School (7-16yr olds)

Derwen Road, Rhyl Compere: David Poppy Mary Poppins (Jean Purdy) Paul Spencer Roy Hodges (Wizzy and Biz) Yendons Magic (Rodney Davis) Jimmy James Reporter: David Poppy

> Presidential Car Brian Miller

Thursday Sept 30th 13.30-14.45hrs

Gyffin Educational Centre, Conway

Compere: Ian Wesley Doreen Travis Derek Travis (Vent) Ernie Almond (Smartie Artie) Alban Unsworth Reporter: Derek Travis

Thursday Sept 30th 13.45-15.00hrs prompt

Colwyn Bay Community Hospital

Hesketh Road, Colwyn Bay Visit 4 Wards - Elderly patients Host: Phillip Southwood Ken Hawes Bernard Jones Tony Nansen Bryan Barnes Reporter: Phillip Southwood

Thursday Sept 30th 14.00-15.00hrs

Folks Alone Club

Community Centre Lounge Trinity Avenue, Map ref F5 Bill Shewan Terri Jones Simon Hannay Host: Roger Hindson Reporter: Simon Hannay

Thursday Sept 30th 14.00-15.15hrs

Gateway Club and Mencap Society

Adult Day Centre for the disabled Canolfan Yr Orsedd, Map ref 16 Compere: Rich Bloch Barry Black Maurice Page Clyde Clayton Stage Manager & Reporter: Harry Hayes

I.B.M.Clowns: Brondini, Dez, Mr Trix, Leo Piper, Nutty, S-t-r-e-a-k-y and Clown Ferryman will attend some of the venues Thursday September 30th 14.00 hours

The North Wales Theatre



STAR LECTURE



Peter Scarlett

Will introduce

DUANE LAFLIN

'Silken Wonders'



Thursday September 30th 14.00 hours prompt

Imperial Hotel

LADIES' AFTERNOON

Afternoon Tea will be served at 2.15pm Following which

The British Ring Ladies' Committee have pleasure in presenting

MR KEITH SMITHIES

with a *unique* flower arranging demonstration performed to music!

Raffle Tickets will be sold during the afternoon

Admission by ticket only

Competition for

THE NEW SILVER BRITISH RING SHIFLD

Running Order of Competitors & names of Sponsors

- David Prouse (Gloucester)
 - David Bennett, Graham Gardner
- 2 Nick Rushton (Leek)
 - Derek Lawrence, Richard Owen
- 3 Peter Masters (Southampton)
 - Tony Russell, Ian Maishman
- 4 Lido (Grangetown)
 - Cynthia Neptune, Brian Sefton
- 5 Gypsy Kate (Limerick)
 - Vincent Finucane, Pat Ward
- 6 Gingernut the Clown (London)
 - Dave Andrews, Dez Colona

- 7 Toi and Ota (Derby)
 - Stuart Clarkson, Stuart Brown
- 8 Mike Coyne (Wetherby)
 - George F M Shepherd, Derek Forbes
- 9 Dallas (Wellingborough)
 - Mark Farrar, Richard Stupple
- 10 Mark Shortland (Penrith)
 - Roger B Heath, Leslie Randall
- 11 Mark Taylor (Metheringham)
 - John Thursby, Alexander Allen

There will be a 30 minute interval between Acts 6 & 7

Awards

The British Ring Shield + £500 for the most entertaining Magic Act

The Theo Speaker Cup + £200 for the runner up

The Alastair Wand + £100 for the third place

The Conventioneers Trophy for originality in effect, method or presentation

The Craig Trophy for the best Lady performer

The Dittia Shield for Manipulation

The Tom Harris Cup for comedy

Competition Organiser

Assistant Organiser

Stage Director

On the Keyboard

Timekeeper Assistant Timekeeper

Chairman of the Judges

Judaes:

John Palfreyman John Pye **Neil Roberts** Dave Cass, D.P.L.M, G.C.L.C.M.

Tony Brooks Les Brooks Ali Bongo

Carol Pye, Anne Shaxon, Bob Hayden Gay Blackstone, Trevor Lewis, Mike O'Brien, Anthony Owen

John Palfreyman

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

and

Election of Officers for 1999/2000

Members only admitted

Printed Agenda and Copies of Accounts will be available

THE BALLOT BOX WILL BE AT THE REGISTRATION DESK UNTIL 15.00 hours ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30th

The Dealers' Exhibition will be closed during the A.G.M., and will re-open immediately after.

POLICY ON PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO, AND AUDIO TAPING



OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHERS

There are official still and video photographers. They shall be the only persons with authorisation to photograph performances, lectures or demonstrations at any venue and then only with the permission of the artiste and the Committee.

VIDEO CAMERAS

There will be **no** video taping of **any** performances in **any** of the official venues, lecture rooms or theatres, other than by the above mentioned official video photographer. It is recommended that attendees leave their video cameras in their rooms as they will **not** be allowed into the theatres.

OTHER CAMERAS

No flash pictures of lectures, demonstrations or magical performances may be taken at any time in any of the official venues, theatres or lecture rooms, other than by the above mentioned official photographer.

Still pictures may be taken using existing light, provided that flash is not used and tnat such picture taking is not an annoyance to other spectators.

AUDIO TAPING

Audio taping is allowed only with permission of the performer.

NEWS MEDIA

News media personnel must be authorised by the PRO and escorted by an official.

Friday October 1st 11.00 hours St David's Suite

INTERNATIONAL CLOSE-UP

Featuring

Rich Bloch - USA

Alistair Cook - England

Dan Garrett - USA

Phillipe Fiahlo - France

Chris Power - England

Gregory Wilson - USA

Organised by Mike Gancia

Friday October 1st 11.00 hours Meeting Rooms 3 & 4 Conference Centre

'Puppet Animation' Workshop - Ron Gilbert

Derren Brown invites you to his spells of Hypnotism & Mind Magic

Friday October 1st 14.15 hours The North Wales Theatre

EDDIE DAWES

presents



WELSH WIZARDRY

Featuring



ROGER JOHN and CYNTHIA

TERRY JONES

TREVOR LEWIS

JON MARSHALL

MARK RAFFLES and JOAN

GEOFF RAY and PAT

Supported at the Keyboard by **DAVE CASS**

Stage Direction by **NEIL ROBERTS**

Friday October 1st 16.15 hours



STAR LECTURE



Bob Hayden

will introduce

DAN GARRETT

'Creative Connivery'





I would like to thank all those members who volunteered to act as Stewards, forfeiting some of their own enjoyment to help others. Don Beattie

Don Beattie Chief Steward Friday October 1st 18.00 hours for 18.30 hours

CONVENTION BANQUET

MENU

Salad of Prawns, Celery & Apple topped with Marie Rose sauce



Cream of Mushroom Soup with Sherry



Roasted Breast of Chicken with Sage & Onion Forcemeat Bacon & Sausage Roll Rich Pan Gravy



Dark Chocolate Terrine with a White Chocolate Sauce



Freshly Ground Coffee and Chocolates



Dinner Jacket or Dark Lounge Suit

TOAST LIST

THE QUEEN

Proposed by the President Mr Richard Stupple



CONWY COUNTY BOROUGH

Proposed by

Mr Trevor Lewis

Response by
THE CHAIRMAN, CONWY
COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Concillor Graham Rees J.P.



THE BRITISH RING

Proposed by

Mr Jerry Schnepp

International President I.B.M.



Response by The President

Mr Richard Stupple

who will also propose the toast to

THE LADIES AND VISITORS

Response by

Mr Michael Bailey

President of The Magic Circle



Toastmaster:

Mr John Pye

Friday October 1st 21.30 hours approximately The North Wales Theatre

THE PRESENTATION OF



AWARDS

THE PRESIDENT

Mr Richard Stupple

followed by

THE LATE LATE GALA



Duane Laflin

Tony Stevens
will introduce

DUANE LAFLIN
ERIC BUSS

NICOLAS and his Diabolos SHEER MAGIC ZANE



Nicolas



Eric Buss



Sheer Magic

DAVE CASS at the Keyboard

Saturday October 2nd 09.15 hours

The North Wales Theatre



STAR LECTURE



Tom Owen

will introduce

PAT FALLON

'Old Ideas, New Twists'



Saturday October 2nd 10.30 hours St David's Suite



STAR LECTURE



Peter Scarlett

will introduce

ALISTAIR COOK

'The Enchanter'



CHILDREN'S SHOWTIME

Produced by Leslie Melville

And presented by

PERCY PIECRUST

Featuring





Shirley Ray



BILL McLEOD

From Scotland

'Juggling Fun' with WINSTON

HARVEY RUSH

1998 Children's Entertainer of the Year

DAVID PENN

Current U.K. Children's Entertainer of the Year



Winston



Mysc

'Illusions of MYSC'

Plus Front of House entertainment provided by

THE I.B.M. CLOWNS

Stage Management by Rena Findlay & Barry Miller

All seats £2.00 ... Tickets available from British Ring Sales and from 9.30am on Saturday at the theatre.



STAR LECTURE



Mike Gancia

will introduce

GREGORY WILSON

Super 'Close-up'



Saturday October 2nd 16.15 hours Bar Area Convention Centre

GRAND AUCTION

In aid of

BENEVOLENT AND WELFARE FUNDS



Auctioneer: ALAN DRIFFIELD

Saturday October 2nd 14.15 hours The Ballroom The Imperial Hotel

Eddie Dawes

presents

MORE HISTORY OF MYSTERY

THE COLLECTORS' (AND OTHERS') SEMINAR Featuring

HARRY REEVE

Discovering Reginald Scot

JOHN ERGATOUDIS

Collecting Puzzles

MICHAEL BAILEY

Memories of Claude Chandler and

JEFFERY ATKINS

Recollections of Magicians on the Halls

Saturday October 2nd 14.15 hours The John Bright School Oxford Street



STAR LECTURE



John Palfreyman

Will introduce

BARBARA & ALAN ASTRA

Helped and hindered by Fred Rabbit





Terry Herbert



R. G. Smith





Phillipe Fiahlo



Trevor Lewis



The I.B.M. Clowns



Roger John & Cynthia



Mark Raffles & Joan



Geoff Ray & Pat

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS BRITISH RING No 25

Presents

INTERNATIONAL MAGIC

THE NORTH WALES THEATRE, LLANDUDNO
Saturday October 2nd
18.00 hours and 21.00 hours

The programme arranged and presented by



Jeffery Atkins

Stage Director (for British Ring) I.B.M.



Neil Roberts

Programme Consultant: Ali Bongo

Staging Assistant: George Colvan

Rich Bloch

SOUVENIR

OVERTURE DAVE CASS at the Keyboard

The original 1960's

TILLER GIRLS

will Introduce our Master of Ceremonies

RICH BLOCH (USA)



Dave Cass



Valerie

Rousseau

VALERIE

'Magic of Switzerland'

ROUSSEAU

'La rue de Magie'

ARDAN JAMES

(USA) The Animated Illusionist



The Tiller Girls



Ardan James



Topas

TOPAS

(Germany) Award winning Magic

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INTERMISSION

The name 'Tiller' is used by arrangement with Mr R. Luff

PROGRAMME

OVERTURE DAVE CASS at the Keyboard

Our Master of Ceremonies returns



Jean Garin

RICH BLOCH

JEAN GARIN

(France)
A magical 'Symphony"



Tabary

The Programme is subject to alteration

The taking of photographs and videos during the performance is strictly forbidden **TABARY**

(France) 'Art Magique"



(France)



ERIC BUSS

(USA) 'After the Show'



Blackie

BUSS SA) e Show'

Eric Buss



Safire

SAFIRE

* + Y +

International Illusionists

The Original 1960's Tiller Girls

Bruce & June Vincent

This troupe started on their own in December 1988 and have now performed in 94 shows, 74 shows being for charity and have included The 1991 Royal Variety Show, The Queens' Forty Glorious Years, The V.E. Day Show in Hyde Park and this year a one off Sunday Night at the London Palladium for Bruce Forsyths' 70th birthday.

During the 1960s' they appeared in the Billy Cotton Band Shows on BBC. The Crazy Gang Show at the Victoria Palace, many variety shows in England and Europe, and Sunday Night at the London Palladium.

John Tiller who started it all back in 1886 would I am sure never have believed that his name would still have been used over a 100 years later.

Unfortunately all things must end and this troupe is the last of the Real Tillers still dancing and the time to hang up the feathers will now most likely be in late 1999. They have really enjoyed themselves, the audiences always greet them enthusiastically and the charities have benefited because of them, as they have always been present for the press to help advertise the shows, what more could you ask for.

THE NAME TILLER IS USED BY ARRANGEMENT WITH MR. R. LUFF

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS

OFFICIAL EMBLEM



The background of this emblem represents the world. The figure is Mercury, the messenger of the ancient gods and a magician. He carries a wand in his left hand. At the bottom, the letters I.B.M. are joined to indicate UNITY and COOPERATION. The oak leaf denotes strength while the two acorns represent the Eastern and Western hemispheres. The hands are clasped to signify FELLOWSHIP and BROTHERHOOD in MAGIC throughout the universe.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The taking of videos and photographs of any kind, or sound recording, is forbidden during any performance in The North Wales Theatre.



STAR LECTURE



Peter Scarlett

will introduce

FRANCIS TABARY

Who will detail his fabulous Rope Routine



From the Chief Welfare Officer

During each year many of our members are faced with sickness or fall on hard times. They are remembered at our Conventions.

Some come, after a bad year, despite the problems and uncertainties of health, and we admire the effort they make. May the coming months bring better days.



My sincere thanks to all who help in any way on the welfare scene. It is important to hear of cases at once, so that action can be taken immediately.

Ted Whebell Chief Welfare Officer British Ring No 25 Sunday October 3rd 11.00 hours The Imperial Hotel

CONVENTION SERVICE

Conducted by

THE REVEREND MICHAEL AUSTIN

Official Chaplain to The British Ring

The Service will be undenominational Silver collection for The Welfare Fund

Sunday October 3rd 11.45 hours The Imperial Hotel

INSTALLATION of our NEW PRESIDENT LOUIS MARTELLE

Followed by a Cocktail Party after which

The President

Will close the Convention

Arranged by Rene & Ted Whebell

MAGICAL TRADE FAIR WILL CLOSE AT 12.00 HOURS

APPRECIATION

The President, Officers and Organisers express their gratitude to all who have supported our 63rd Convention including:

The Chairman of Conwy County Borough Council, Councillor Graham Rees J.P.

Mrs Bridget Jones, Operations Manager

Mr Adrian La Trobe, Events Officer

Mr Andrew Carruthers, Box Office Manager

The General Manager of the Imperial Hotel

Artistes in All Shows

The Pearl Shaw School of Dance

The Lecturers

Neil Roberts, George Colvan, and Rena Findlay for Stage Management

Cliff Cowling for invaluable assistance to The Dealers

The Press

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The Stewards

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