The International Brotherhood of Magicians

# **BRITISH RING No 25**

67<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention



Southport

September 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> 2003

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#### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's my pleasure once again to welcome you all from home and overseas to this the 67<sup>th</sup> British Ring Convention here in Southport. We have been to Southport nine times before and the Civic Authorities are delighted to have us back. This year there are a few changes but the line-up booked by our hard working Honorary Secretary, Tony Shelley, is second to none, and I am sure that you will not fail to enjoy many magical moments.

For those attending the convention for the first time we greet you and trust you will also find the friendship that exists so much in the British Ring.

I would like to acknowledge those who have worked so hard to contribute to the organisation of this convention. Without their efforts the smooth running would suffer. Our thoughts are with those who cannot attend through illness or other such setbacks.

It is now the end of my second term as your president, and all through the year Elizabeth and I have constantly reminded ourselves that this year should have belonged to Peter Laing. It was a great loss to the Ring when Peter died so suddenly just a few days before he was due to take office. However, at every function that we have been kindly invited to around the country since last September, I have taken the liberty of always mentioning his name.

I thank you all for your kind words and support over the year, and take this opportunity of wishing you all an enjoyable and magical time here in Southport.

Wil and

MIKE GANCIA
PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH RING NO 25
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS





#### THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is a real honor for me to join my fellow I.B.M. members, magicians and friends for the 67th Annual Convention of the British Ring! I had the wonderful opportunity to attend the British Ring convention two years ago and had an incredible time! The British Ring is not only the largest I.B.M. Ring in the world, it is, without question, one of the finest. Since my installation as your International President this past July, Kristi and I have eagerly looked forward to our visit to beautiful Southport.

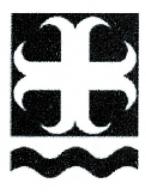
Magic has afforded me some of the most incredible experiences of my life, far too many to attempt to list. But more importantly, magic has introduced me to some of the finest people in the world. If I haven't had the opportunity to meet you, *please* stop me over the next few days and introduce yourself. I'd love to have the opportunity to meet more of our wonderful members.

Kristi and I look forward to great magic and lots of exciting fellowship during our stay here in Great Britain. I would very much like to develop more and more friendships with those who share our common interest.

. . the art of magic!

David Sandy International President

International Brotherhood of Magicians





MESSAGE FROM THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR OF SEFTON (Councillor David Pearson)

First of all may I say how delighted I am that the International Brotherhood of Magicians has brought its annual convention to Southport for the tenth time. I am sorry that I am unable to be with you personally but would like to extend a warm welcome to all delegates. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Kevin Cluskey, will be representing me whilst I am away and is pleased to be joining you on several occasions during your convention

I know that many of you will have attended previous conventions in Southport and some of you will be visiting for the first time. Whichever you are, I hope that during your busy schedule you are able to take time out to relax and enjoy some of our many attractions, including the new Ocean Plaza, which is an addition since your last visit as also is the renovated Pier.

We are extremely proud of our town and wish you to have the perfect venue. Best wishes for an enjoyable and successful convention and we look forward to many future visits by the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Mayor of Sefton

Searcon

#### **Collect your registrations**

Meet and Greet
old friends - make new friends
have a drink or two

# and then proceed to: THE DEALERS' EXHIBITION

Thursday 25th September 10.30 hours

**The Southport Theatre** 

#### OFFICIAL OPENING

of the

# **67<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION**

by The President

#### Mike Gancia Esq

In the presence of

The Deputy Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton

**Councillor Kevin Cluskey** 

# SOUTHPORT SORCERY

## **Peter Scarlett**

will introduce



Peter Scarlett



Franck Faver

Franck Faver (France)

Julie Llusion (UK)

Ward Allen & Roger the dog (UK)



Ward Allen

Jeremy Pei (Singapore)

at the Keyboard: Dave Cass



Jeremy Pei



Julie Llusion

#### **DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR**

#### arranged by Richard Stupple

held in The Floral Hall

Wednesday 20.00 - 22.30 Thursday 09.30 - 17.30

Friday 10.30 - 17.30 19.00 - 21.30

Saturday 09.30 - 17.30 Sunday 09.30 - 1500

The following Magical Dealers will be represented

Albion Magic Company (Inc. Terry &

Norma Magic) All Decked Out

Banshee Magic Barbara & Alan Astra

**Bradbury Hughes** 

British Ring Sales

Camtryx

Castle Magic Services

Cliff Lount's Bradford Magic Studio

Cozmic Entertainments

Craig Dickson

Danny Archer

Darius El Duco

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Magic Box

Magic from Around The World

Magictrix

Mark Leveridge Magic

Michael Ammar

Mel's Magic

Merlins

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Peter Lamont

Peter Scarlett Magic

Playtime Balloons **Practical Magic** 

**RAR Magic** 

Reg Allen "The Magical Antiques"

Repro

Russell Hall - Magick

Shaun Yee

Shirley Ray - Balloon Parade

Stephen Bargatze

Stephen Tucker Swadling Magic

The Card Collection

The Kaymar Magic Co. The Magic Zone

Tom Owen

Tonny Van Rhee Wayne Dobson

Wild Magic

#### ENTRANCE BY CONVENTION BADGE ONLY

The organisers would like to thank all the Dealers for participating It is hoped that conventioneers will support the Dealers in their efforts

#### THE CRAIG TROPHY

will be awarded to the Dealer presenting the most attractive display The displays will be judged on the morning of Friday 26th September

#### MAGIC OF THE DEALERS

Richard Stupple

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** 



Richard Stupple

Thursday September 25th 14.00 hours prompt

**Prince of Wales Hotel** 

# THE LADIES' AFTERNOON

Tea will be served at 14.15 followed by

### **Mr Howard Franklin**

## 'International Florist of Royalty'

Raffle tickets will be sold during the afternoon

#### THE JEFFERY ATKINS MEMORIAL LECTURE



Your Committee thought long and hard to find a fitting memorial to our late Honorary Secretary. Various trophies and prizes were discussed, but they eventually decided on

# THE JEFFERY ATKINS MEMORIAL LECTURE

This will be presented annually, during the Convention, by a distinguished member or guest as a fitting tribute to a long serving and dedicated member of our society

Thursday September 25th 16.00 hours

**The Southport Theatre** 

# THE JEFFERY ATKINS MEMORIAL LECTURE



Mike Gancia

will introduce

#### **MICHAEL BAILEY**

'Confessions of a Corporate Magician'

#### **HOSPITAL AND SPECIAL VENUE SHOWS**

# arranged by Derek McFaull All shows on Thursday September 25th unless shown otherwise

#### Winged Fellowship Trust

Wednesday 24th September Promenade • Map E6 19.30 - 20.30 Duncan MacLean Margaret MacLean David Haggerty Reporter • Duncan MacLean

### Southport & Formby District Hospital Spinal

<u>Unit</u> (Close-up)
Town Lane • Map B8
14.00 - 15.00
Aidan Heritage (team leader)
Simon Hannah
John Saxby
Brekk Sarney
Reporter • Simon Hannah

#### **Queens Court Hospice**

Town Lane • Map B8
14.15 - 15.15
Brian Barnes (Team leader)
Bernard Jones
Chris Stevenson
Reporter •

#### **B.E.N. Nursing Home**

2/4 Lord Street • Map E8 14.00 - 15.15 Brian Berry (Compere) Clyde Clayton Merson Grant David Adams Tony King



Derek McFaull

#### Mornington Road Resource/Day Centre

Map D7 14.00 - 15.15 Duncan MacLean Margaret MacLean David Haggerty Reporter • Arnold Isaacs

#### **Age Concern Show**

Southport Blind Society Hall Wright Street • Map D7 14.15 - 15.15 John Pye (Compere) Ned Potts Brian Maxwell David Lancaster Reporter • John Pye

#### **Merefield School**

Westminster Drive • Map E15 13.45 - 14.45 Jim Bannan (Compere) Keno Geoff Berry Martin Grundy (Punch/Judy) Reporter • Jim Bannan

#### **Peterhouse School**

Preston New Road • Map C2 13.45 - 15.00 H. John Fox (Compere) Arthur Setterington Stan Cruse Tony Wormald Stephen Bellerby Reporter • Arthur Setterington

#### **Presfield School**

Preston New Road • Map C2 13.45 - 14.45 Peter Greenwood (Compere) Ron Batson Malcolm Bromwich Stephen Evans Reporter • Harry Hayes

#### **IBM Clowns**

under the direction of Reg (Streaky) Allen will visit some venues.

#### Presidential Car

Brian Miller

A meeting of Hospital performers will take place on Wednesday September 24th at 20.00 hours in the Promenade Suite

## **WELCOME**

to our

# **OVERSEAS VISITORS**

who are requested to meet

Mr John Palfreyman
in the Southport Theatre Foyer
at 19.15 hours

**Prior to the Flag Ceremony** 

#### FROM THE CHIEF WELFARE OFFICER

Greetings to all Conventioneers, and best wishes to those who, for one reason or another, cannot be with us this time.

I am sorry to say that advancing years and poor health force me to retire from Committee and Welfare work after Southport. My sincere thanks to all in the British Ring who, over the years, have made my task much easier.

My one last plea is that you give the same support to the new Chief Welfare Officer so that our welfare work continues.

**Ted Whebell**Chief Welfare Officer
British Ring No 25



Lord Fearn of Southport
together with the
President of the British Ring
Mr Mike Gancia
and the
International President of the
International Brotherhood of Magicians
Mr David Sandy
will receive the

# **OVERSEAS VISITORS**

The Flag Bearers: Pupils of the Budden School of Dance

Following the reception the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton invites you to sit back and enjoy



### **JOHN STYLES**

# THE RICHARD LEIGH ILLUSIONS SHOW

# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

&

### **Election of Officers for 2003/4**

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 25TH

Friday September 26th 10.00 hours

**The Arts Centre** 

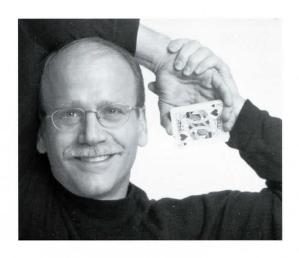
## STAR LECTURE •

Tony Shelley will introduce

# MICHAEL AMMAR

(USA)

'Michael's Favorites'



### STAR LECTURE •

Peter Scarlett will introduce

# CRAIG DICKSON

(USA)

'For the Entertainer'



#### THE EDDIE DEXTER WELFARE STAND

#### **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 & MEMORABILIA at 12.00 hours on Sunday in the Lakeside Suite

### COMPETITION FOR THE BRITISH RING SHIELD AWARDS

- 1 Tom Lawrence 6 Cosmik (Bishop Stortford)
  2 Michele 7 Graham Hey (Reading) (Seaton Ross)
- 3 Richard Pinner 8 Shane (North Harrow) (Nottingham)
- 4 **Daniel Goodwin** 9 **Viva** (Evesham) 9 (Nuneaton)
- 5 **Brian Maxwell** (Poulton le Fylde)

#### **Awards**

The British Ring Shield + £600 for the most entertaining Magic Act
The Theo Speaker Cup + £300 for the runner up
The Alastair Wand + £150 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: John Pye

Stage Director: Neil Roberts

On the Keyboard: Dave Cass DPLM, GCLCM

Timekeeper: Tony Brooks

Chairman of the Judges: Ali Bongo

Judges: Maxine McCarthy, Pat Fallon & Tanya, Richard Stupple, Alan Shaxon, Brian Miller



John Pye

# **CONVENTION BANQUET**

Menu

Fan of Melon with a fruit coulis

Roast Topside of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding and jus lie

Lemon & Lime Bavarois

**Coffee & Chocolates** 

**Toast List** 

The Queen
proposed by the President
Mike Gancia

The Metropolitan
Borough of Sefton
proposed by
Clive Moore

Response by
The Deputy Mayor of Sefton
Councillor Kevin E. Cluskey

The British Ring
proposed by
David Sandy
International President I.B.M.

Response by The President

Mike Gancia

who will also propose the toast

The Ladies and Visitors

Response by **Alan Shaxon**President of The Magic Circle

Dinner Jacket or Dark Lounge Suit

Toastmaster: John Pye

# THE LATE, LATE GALA

### **DANNY ARCHER (USA)**

will introduce



Claus Wave

# **CLAUS WAVE**

(Germany)



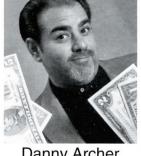


Chris De Rosa

# THE GREAT NARDINI (Scotland)



(Scotland)



Danny Archer



Loki



Great Nardini

At the Keyboard: Dave Cass

# CLOSE-UP COMPETITION

for the ZINA BENNETT TROPHY

#### Arranged by Bryan Atherton

1	<b>Steve Barney</b> (Ashvale)	8	Sean Heydon (Naseby)
2	Malcolm Bromwich (Hessle)	9	<b>Melanie Partner</b> (Hertford)
3	Harold Cataquet (Stockport)	10	Richard Pinner (North Harrow)
4	<b>Danny Davis</b> (Sheffield)	11	Frederic Shark (Cheadle)
5	Andy Field (Gloucester)	12	Chris Stevenson (Buxton)
6	Steve Gore (Bradford)	13	<b>Dex Warren</b> (Glasgow)
7	<b>Mel Harvey</b> (Barford)		

Chairman of the Judges: Mike Gancia

Judges: David Sandy, Michael Ammar, Vanni Pule, Kevin Fox

#### **EDDIE DAWES**

presents

#### **MORE HISTORY OF MYSTERY**

(The Collectors' and Others' Seminar)

PAUL FREEMAN

The Die box and Adalbert Frikell

PETER LANE

**Conjurors in Court** 

Dr VANESSA TOULMIN

Magic of the Fairground

#### POLICY ON PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO & 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 that 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.

# CHILDREN'S SHOWTIME

Devised and produced bu John 'Sly' Smith



Sly Smith

# **SLY SMITH**

will introduce

# **RACHEL WILD** & TOM JONES

Magic from America



Rachel Wild & Tom Jones



Ward Allen & Roger the Dog

# WARD ALLEN & ROGER THE DOG

Canine Capers

#### **MR TRIX**

UK Children's Entertainer of the year - 2003



Mr Trix



Jon Marshall & Co

# JON MARSHALL & COMPANY

The Wizard of Castle Magic" Touring Show

**PLUS** 

#### THE IBM CLOWNS

All seats £4.00. Available from The Arts Centre Box Office Tel: 0151 934 2130 Stage Management: Rena Findlay & Moira Fletcher

# INTERNATIONAL **CLOSE-UP GALA**



Craig Dickson

**Bryan Atherton** will introduce

**MICHAEL AMMAR** 

(USA)

**APOLLO** 

(USA)



(USA)



(USA)



(USA)



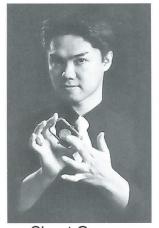
(Japan)



Apollo



Michael Ammar



Shoot Ogawa



Danny Archer



Stephen Bargatze

#### STAR LECTURE •



#### Richard Stupple

will introduce

# **JOHN** DIXON

'Mr Trix'

#### THE ZINA BENNETT TROPHY - PAST WINNERS

1958 Fred Lowe 1959 Howard Peters

1960 Arthur Setterington

1961 Bob Ostin 1962 Ali Bongo

1963 Claude Manley

1964 Ted Daniels

1965 Jack Lowen

1966 Norman Peace

1967 Larry Spencer

1968 Arthur Setterington

1969 Not held

1970 Geoff Ray

1971 Trevor Lewis

1972 Kevin Fox

1973 Bob Read

1974 Christopher Payne

1975 Not held

1976 Bob Gill

1977 Wayne Dobson/Peter Duffie

1978 Rex Cooper

1979 Ken Hawes

1980 Harry Nicholls

1981 Mark Leveridge

1982 Janet Clare

1983 Rex Cooper

1984 Eddy Smit

1985 Kevin Reay

1986 John Hotowka

1987 Tony Brooks

1988 Mike Austin

1989 Stephen Ford

1990 David Jones

1991 Patrick Maddison

1992 Steve Bedwell

1993 Dusty

1994 Alistair Cook

1995 David Penn

1996 Jayson George

1997 Herman Koster

1998 Jon Allen

1999 Trevor Stone

2000 Lee Davis

2001 Sean Carpenter

2002 Mark Shortland

# THE STEWARDS



The Chief Steward, **Don Beattie**, would like to thank, on your behalf, all those members who volunteered to give up some of their enjoyment to act as Stewards.

#### **TOMBOLA**

#### **INTERPRETER**

# THE TOMBOLA will be in the Foyer of The Floral Hall on Thursday September 25th



Mel & Jill Newsome



BILL REX
Official Interpreter

# THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS BRITISH RING No25

presents

# INTERNATIONAL MAGIC

#### THE SOUTHPORT THEATRE

Saturday September 27th 2003 20.00 hours

The programme arranged and presented by



**Tony Shelley** 



Technical Advisor Ali Bongo



Stage Director (British Ring) **Neil Roberts** 

### **INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW**

Overture DAVE CASS at the Keyboard

Introducing our Master of Ceremonies

> STEPHEN BARGATZE

(USA)



Dave Cass



Theo Dari

#### THEO DARI

(France)

### NICHOLAS LEPAGE

(France)

TR'ESPACE

(Switzerland)



Simon Pierro



Nicholas Lepage

#### LAURENT BERETTA

(France)

SIMON **PIERRO** 

(Germany)



Tr'espace



Laurent Beretta

The programme is subject to alteration

# INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW

# Overture DAVE CASS at the Keyboard

Our Master of Ceremonies returns



(USA)



Stephen Bargatze



Mirko

# PAOLO GIUA

(Italy)



(Argentina)



Paolo Giua



Jason Latimer

#### **JASON LATIMER**

(USA)

DUO LUIS (Italy)



**Duo Luis** 

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

#### **CONVENTION SERVICE**

Conducted by

#### PADRE DEREK McFAULL

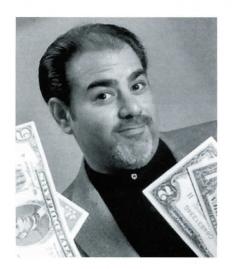
Hon Chaplain to British Ring No 25

The Service will be undenominational Silver collection for The Welfare Fund

Sunday September 28th 10.00 hours

**Southport Theatre** 

#### STAR LECTURE •



Trevor Lewis

DANNY ARCHER

(USA)

'On Target'

#### **Mandy Davis**

&

# THE YOUNG MAGICIANS' CLUB

invite you to

A JUNIOR WORKSHOP

FEATURING STARS OF THE CONVENTION

FOR MEMBERS/NON MEMBERS AGED 10 - 18 ONLY

Sunday September 28th 11.30 hours

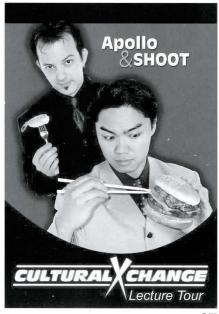
**Southport Theatre** 

### STAR LECTURE •

Ali Bongo will introduce

SHOOT & APOLLO

(Japan/USA)



### STAR LECTURE •



Mandy Davis
will introduce

# STEPHEN BARGATZE

(USA)

'Stephen's Magic'

Sunday September 28th 16.30 hours

**The Southport Theatre** 

# THE PRESENTATION OF AWARDS



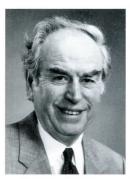
The President

Mike Gancia

followed by



Cynthia Neptune



**Eddie Dawes** 

#### **EDDIE DAWES**

presents

# MAGICAL MEMORIES



Ali Bongo



Moira Fletcher

# MOIRA FLETCHER ALI BONGO

Featuring



**Brian Sefton** 



Mark Raffles

# BRIAN SEFTON MARK RAFFLES MARTYN JAMES



Martyn James

Accompanied at the Keyboard by Dave Cass

#### **APPRECIATION**

The President, Officers and Organisers express their gratitude to all who have supported our 67th Convention including:

The Deputy Mayor of Sefton Councillor Kevin Cluskey

Tony Corfield, Head of Tourism, Sefton Council

Lisa Chu, ClearChannel Entertainments Ltd

Maxine McCarthy, Corporate Sales, Sefton Council

The General Manager of the Prince of Wales Hotel

Artistes in all shows

The Budden School of Dance

The Lecturers

**The Press** 

Helpers at the Tombola

**The Stewards** 

The Judges in the Shield, Close-up and Dealers' Exhibition

Helpers on the Welfare Stand

**Returning Officer David Price and his tellers** 

#### ORGANISERS

ORGANISING SECRETARY **Tony Shelley** REGISTRATION Neville Johnson REGISTRATION DESK Robert & Marilyn Mason & Alison Day OPENING SHOW **Tony Shelley DEALERS' EXHIBITION Richard Stupple** LADIES' AFTERNOON The Ladies Committee THE FLAG CEREMONY John Palfreyman THE LECTURES **Tony Shelley** HOSPITAL SHOWS Derek McFaull SHIELD COMPETITION John Pve MAGICAL MEMORIES **Eddie Dawes** THE BANQUET Olive Fletcher & John Pye CHILDREN'S SHOWTIME John 'Sly' Smith **COLLECTORS' SEMINAR Eddie Dawes** INTERNATIONAL CLOSE-UP **Bryan Atherton** 

**STEWARDS** Don Beattie **CLOSE-UP COMPETITION Bryan Atherton** 

**GALA SHOWS Tony Shelley** 

TECHNICAL ADVISOR Ali Bongo

SOUVENIR PROGRAMME **Peter Scarlett** 

WELFARE STAND Cynthia Neptune PUBLICITY OFFICER

TOMBOLA STAND Mel & Jill Newsome

JUNIOR WORKSHOP **Mandy Davis** 

STAGE MANAGEMENT **Neil Roberts** 

CHURCH SERVICE Derek McFaull

**Bob Hayden** 



# GREETINGS TO THE BRITISH RING AND BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION from INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD of MAGICIANS

David Sandy Tony Wilson Roger Miller Don Wiberg Roger Miller Phil Willmarth International President
International President Elect
International Vice President
International Secretary
International Treasurer
Executive Editor, Linking Ring

Territorial Vice-Presidents for Great Britain Ted Whebell, Richard Stupple

I.B.M. Forms available from Tony Shelley, Registration Desk and Territorial Officers

Join the I.B.M. and receive the excellent 'Linking Ring' monthly

#### **BRITISH RING SALES**



(Officially Authorised by the British Ring)
At the Southport Convention
GWEN JOHNSON will be looking after the British Ring
Sales Stand assisted by many friends and will be
delighted to serve you.

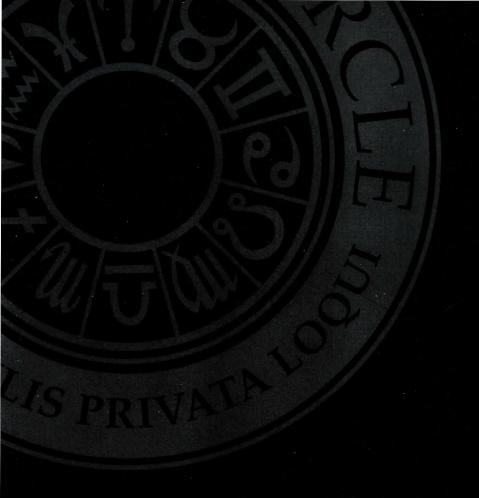
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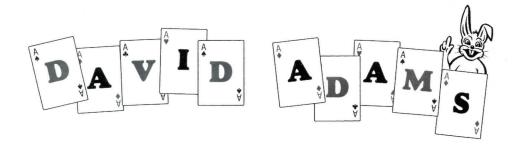
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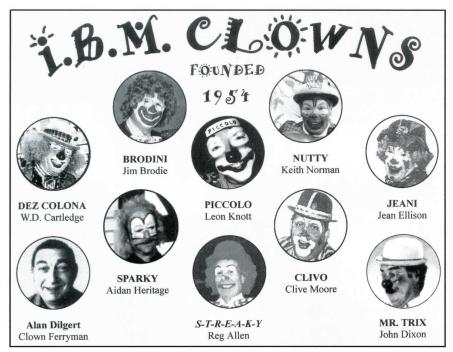
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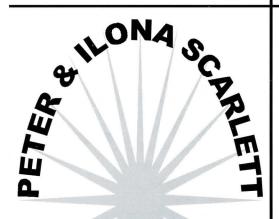
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The A.G.M. Will be held on Friday 26th September in the Scarisbrick Hotel

Visit to Rufford Old Hall (optional cream tea) on Saturday 27th September.
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1932	Cheltenham	1971	Llandudno
1933	Northampton	1972	Margate
1934	-	1973	Harrogate
1935	• .	1974	Hastings
1936	Northampton	1975	Southport
1937	Buxton	1976	Brighton
1938	Malvern	1977	Harrogate
1939	Southport	1978	Hastings
1946	Hereford	1979	Scarborough
1947	Buxton	1980	Brighton
1948	Bournemouth	1981	<b>Great Yarmouth</b>
1949	Southport	1982	Hastings
1950	Harrogate	1983	Llandudno
1951	Bournemouth	1984	Eastbourne
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