

The International Brotherhood  
of Magicians

***British Ring No 25***  
**72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention**  
**Eastbourne**



**The British Ring**  
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International Brotherhood of Magicians  
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The Rev. Alan Clarke



This message from Derek was received a few days before his untimely death. We feel sure his wish would be to leave it in place

### **THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

It is with great pleasure to welcome you all to this our 72nd Annual Convention, the fourteenth to be held here in the popular venue of Eastbourne. This promises to be a superb Convention, with an amazing galaxy of magic stars for your pleasure and enjoyment, covering all branches of magic.

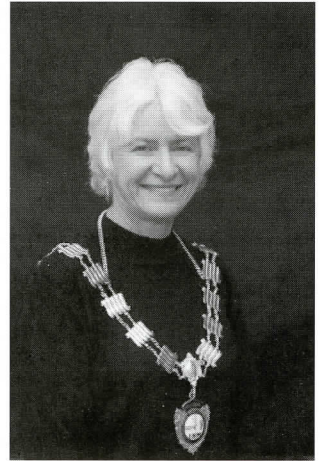
These Conventions don't just happen, it takes a whole year planning to ensure we maximise events to fill your day at this the premier Magic Convention in the U.K. So, a special thank you to all the organisers.

Many people have travelled long distances to be with us, especially for overseas, so a warm welcome to you all. Let us not forget members, who due to illness are unable to attend. We wish them well and send our greetings. I have had a wonderful year, and am mindful of the many kindnesses extended to me in my travels. I am extremely proud to have been your representative of this, the largest Ring in the I.B.M.

If you are a 'first timer' do come and introduce yourself to me, and I look forward to greeting so many regular old friends. Friendships like these stand the test of time. As President of the British Ring leaves me with so many pleasant memories, I hope this 72nd Convention will give you too many pleasant memories. Do enjoy it!

Derek McFaull

**PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH RING No 25  
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS**



## THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As President of the International Brotherhood of Magicians and a Canadian, I am especially delighted to be here to share the very special friendship of Magic. This is a special honour because of the close bonds my husband and I feel toward England and our United Kingdom heritage.

The British Ring Convention is known throughout the world as one of the finest, and it gives me great pleasure to be with you this year. I am looking forward to seeing some of the finest magic and best competitions in the field, combined with English elegance and style. This will be a convention I will remember with fondness for the rest of my life.

My sincerest sympathy on the death of your president Derek McFaul. He was a good man in every sense of the word. We all owe thanks to John Styles and extend our congratulations and best wishes to Trevor Lewis.

I thank you for your hospitality and your friendship.

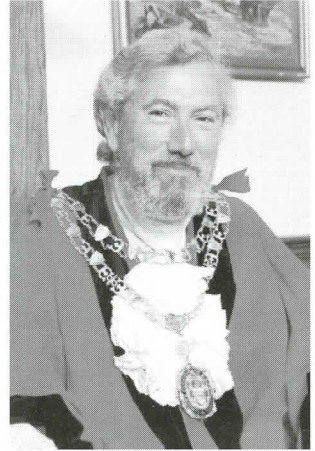
Joan Caesar

International President  
International Brotherhood of Magicians





**MESSAGE FROM  
THE WORSHIPFUL  
THE MAYOR OF EASTBOURNE  
COUNCILLOR GREG SZANTO**



In my position as Mayor I have the privilege to be able to welcome many Conferences to Eastbourne and it gives me great pleasure to welcome The International Brotherhood of Magicians back to our elegant town.

Eastbourne has something for everyone and so we hope you have the chance to visit some of the beautiful parts of our town such as the glorious promenade stretching five miles from the Majestic Beachy Head to the cosmopolitan Sovereign Harbour Marina, we also have the best sunshine record in the mainland UK.

With 15,000 members you are a mighty world wide group who cannot fail to win the hearts of the people wherever you go and I look forward to meeting some of you over the conference.

I hope you all have a wonderful time and enjoy both your conference and Eastbourne.

Councillor Greg Szanto

## CONVENTION EXECUTIVES

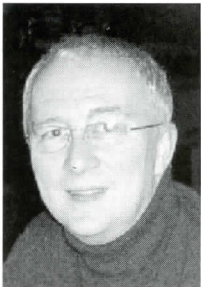


John Pye  
Convention  
Organiser



Paul Stone  
Executive  
Producer

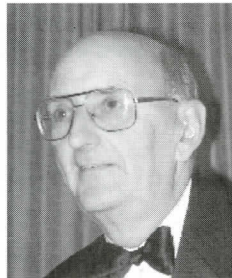
## UNSUNG HEROES



Neil Roberts  
British Ring  
Stage Director



Neville Johnson  
British Ring  
Registration  
Officer



Don Beattie  
Chief Steward



Dave Cass  
British Ring  
Musical Director

Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
10.00 hours

The Floral Hall



**The registration desk opens**

Followed at 12.00 hours by

# **OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY**

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## **Welcome to Overseas Visitors**

by the Immediate Past President

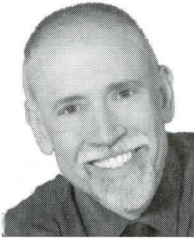
**John Styles M.B.E.**

In the presence of His Worship The Mayor of Eastbourne,

**Councillor Greg Szanto**

& the International President of the I.B.M.

**Joan Caesar**



Mike Close

Followed by

## **“THE OPENING SHOW”**

**Mike Close**

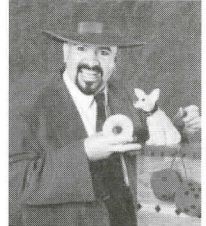
will introduce

**Gene Anderson**

**Mel Mellers**

**Oscar Munoz**

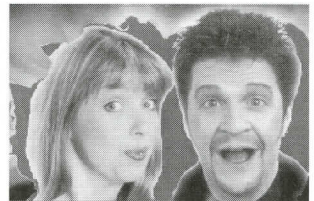
**Safire**



Oscar Munoz



Mel Mellers



Safire

Music by: **Dave Cass**

Stage Director: **Neil Roberts**

Arranged and Produced by **Paul Stone**



Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
14.15 hours

The Floral Hall



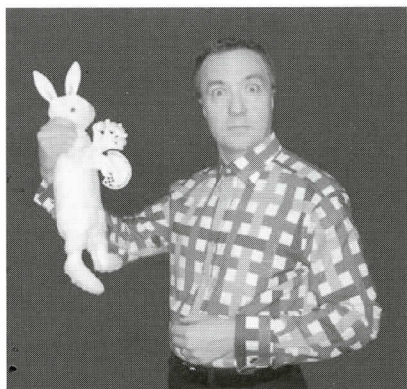
•**STAR LECTURE**•

Ali Bongo

will introduce

**Levent**

*Stage Magic and Manipulation*



Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
15.00 hours

The Congress Suite



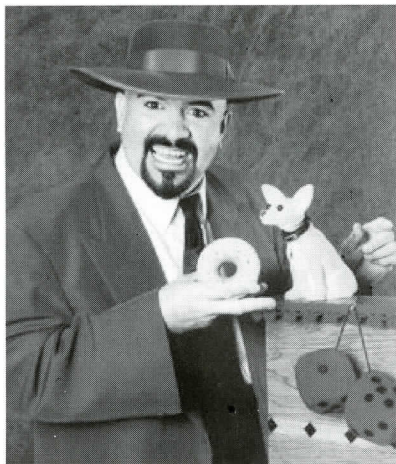
•**STAR LECTURE**•

Bob Hayden

will introduce

**Oscar Munoz**

*It's All About the Entertainment*





Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
15.30 hours

The Floral Hall



•**STAR LECTURE**•

Trevor Lewis

will introduce

**Nick Einhorn**

*Very Practical Stuff You'll  
Probably Want to Do!*



Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
16.45 hours

The Floral Hall



•**STAR LECTURE**•

John Styles MBE

will introduce

**Michael Finney**

*The Secrets of a Professional  
Comedy Magician*



Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
20.00 hours

The Congress Theatre



## **COMPETITION FOR THE BRITISH RING SHIELD AWARDS**

### Running Order of Competitors

- |    |  |     |  |
|----|--|-----|--|
| 1. | <b>Club Magic</b><br>Amsterdam, The Netherlands  | 7.  | <b>Rev-Illusion</b><br>Eastbourne, East Sussex |
| 2. | <b>Vision</b><br>Basingstoke                     | 8.  | <b>Maestro Leonardo</b><br>Brighton, Sussex    |
| 3. | <b>Su Jayne</b><br>Whitley Bay, Tyne & Wear      | 9.  | <b>Laura London</b><br>London                  |
| 4. | <b>Joe Ray</b><br>Belvidere, Shrewsbury          | 10. | <b>Rikki T</b><br>West Hagley, West Midlands   |
| 5. | <b>Dave Allen</b><br>Houghton Regis Bedfordshire | 11. | <b>Mindwriter</b><br>Bath                      |
| 6. | <b>Edward Hilsum</b><br>Kent                     | 12. | <b>Jonathan Shotton</b><br>West Malling, Kent  |

**INTERVAL**

**Compere - Steve Evans**

### **Awards**

**The British Ring Shield + £1,000** for the most entertaining Magic Act

**The Theo Speaker Cup + £500** for the runner up

**The Alastair Wand + £250** for the third place

**The Conventioneers Trophy** for originality in effect, method or presentation

**The Dittia Shield** for Manipulation

**The Tom Harris Cup** for Comedy

Competition Organiser: **Shirley Ray**

Assistant Competition Organiser: **Dave Cass**

Stage Director: **Neil Roberts**

Music by: **Dave Cass DPLM, GCLCM**

Timekeepers: **Tony Brooks, Chris Poole**

Chairman of Judges **Ali Bongo**

Judges: **Joan Caesar** (The IBM International President), **John Palfreyman**,  
**Merson Grant**, **Harry Reeves**, **Danny Hunt** (Amethyst), **Annette** (Amethyst).

Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
23.30 hours

The Floral Hall



# **The Late Show**

***Magic and Fun***

***With some of the Star performers***

***THE EDDIE DEXTER WELFARE STAND***



***Gifts, Novelties, Raffles,  
Competitions***

Please support your Welfare Stand

**Cynthia Neptune**

and her helpers look forward to meeting all  
Conventioners at the stand and thank everyone for their support

# DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR

arranged by Jim Boyd

held in The Exhibition Hall adjacent to the Winter Gardens

Thursday 09.30 hours to 17.00 hours.

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Saturday 09.30 hours to 17.00 hours.

The following Magical Dealers will be represented:

Albion Magic Co.	Magic Books by Post Ltd
All Decked Out	Magic Box
Aquarius Magic	Magic Cave
Black Magic (Iran)	Magic Victoria (Belgium)
Black Cat Magic	Magicares
Bob Kohler	Magick Enterprises
Bob Little	Magitrix House of Magic
Bradford Magic Studio	Mark Worgan
Card Collection	Mel's Magic Company
Card-Sharke (Germany)	Merlins of Wakefield
Carole Bradbury;	Mike Close
Castle Magic Services	NightIllusions
China Acrobats Society FISM Beijing	Norm Nielsen
Darius	Pat Page
Domenico Dante (Italy)	Paul Gordon (Nazler Enterprises )
DTrik	Pelican Clothing Company
Equity	Peter Diamond Magic
Five of Hearts Magic Productions	Peter Scarlett
Geoffrey Durham	Playtime Balloons Ltd
Goodliffe Publications	Practical Magic
Graham Lee Balloon Art	RAR MAGIC
Heidi's Costumes	Razamatazz Magic
Hocus Pocus Magic Co.	Stephen P Tucker
International Magic	Swadling Magic
Jahangir (Magic 2000) (France)	The Magic Circle
Juan Tamariz	The Magic Company
Kaymar Magic Co.	The Master of Mystery
Keith Bennett	Trevor Duffy (South Africa)
Kovari Magic Productions Ltd	Wladimir Magic (Slovenia)
Made to Measure Magic	Zane's Magic Shop

## **ENTRANCE BY CONVENTION BADGE ONLY**

The organisers would like to thank all the Dealers for participating  
It is hoped that conventioners 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 Thursday 25th September



Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
11.00 hours

The Congress Theatre



•**STAR LECTURE**•

Paul Stone

will introduce

**Bill Herz**

*The Business of Magic*



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11.45 hours

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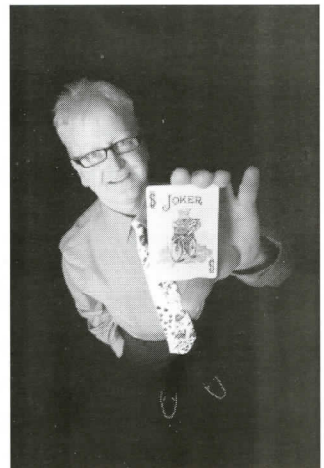
•**STAR LECTURE**•

Terry Herbert

will introduce

**Mike Bent**

*Putting the You (u) in Funny*



Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
12.00 hours

The Congress Theatre



•**STAR WORKSHOP**•

**Bill Herz, Jeff Hobson**  
**Michael Weber**

*Magic in the Corporate World*

Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>



Look out for **THE TOMBOLA** stand

**Ron & Chris Lockett** and their helpers look forward to meeting you all there . Please come and give them your support.

All proceeds are for the Benevolent and Welfare Funds.

Thanks to everyone who donated gifts or who helped in any way.

**Bill Stickland**

Bill Stickland was Hon. Secretary of The British Ring for many years and the bronze bust which stands at the side of the stage is a memorial to his work and dedication.

# HOSPITAL AND SPECIAL VENUE SHOWS

arranged by the late Derek McFaul

All shows on Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>



**Lindfield School** 13.30 - 14.30

Lindfield Road, Hampden Park  
Eastbourne BN22 OBQ  
Ned Potts (Compere) (R)  
Arthur Parry (BoBo the Clown)  
Tony Hoare  
Mike Stokes / Gerry Luff

**South Downs School** 13.30-14.30

Shine Water Lane (Off Milfoil Drive)  
Langney, Eastbourne BN23 8AT  
Poz  
David Tomkins  
Pip the Clown (Carol Ann Bosworth)  
Aiden Heritage (R)  
George & Helen Glasby

**Hazel Court School** 14.15-15.15

Larkspur Drive, Eastbourne.,BN233 4NX  
Keith Gosney (Compere)  
Ron Batson  
Lawrence Leslie  
Keno & Pamela (R)

**Age Concern** 14.15-15-15

The William & Pat Vernon Centre  
Junction Road, Eastbourne,  
BN24 3QY  
Jim Cuthbert (R)  
Bernard Jones  
Alan Maskell  
Tony King  
Leonardo

**Chaselev Trust** 14.30-15.30

South Cliff, Eastbourne BN20 7SH  
Barry Black (Compere)  
Michael Symes  
Geoff Atkinson  
Paul Norris

**R.A.F.A. Club** 14.15-15.15

11-15 Wish Road (Off South St.)  
Eastbourne, BN21 4NX  
Peter Greenwood  
Dave Bennett  
Bob Pamlin  
Peter Fitchett  
Report: Arnold ISAACS

**Griggle of I.B.M. Clowns**  
2008

FOUNDED  
1954



CLIVO  
Clive Moore



S-T-R-E-A-K-Y  
Reg Allen



JEANI  
Jean Ellison



FLOWER  
Rebecca Crowhurst



NUTTY  
Keith Norman



SPARKY  
Aidan Heritage



PICCOLO  
Leonora Piper



PIP THE CLOWN  
Carol Bosworth

**IBM Clowns** will visit  
some venues under the  
leadership of  
**S.T.R.E.A.K.Y.**  
(Reg Allen)  
  
**Presidential Car: Brian  
Miller**

A meeting of Special Venue performers will take place at 13.30 hours on Wednesday 24th September in the Floral Hall Foyer

Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
13.45 hours

The Tennis Centre

# **CLOSE – UP COMPETITION**

for the

## **ZINA BENNETT TROPHY**

Arranged by Steve Evans



Steve Evans

**Rob James**  
**Mark Shortland**  
**Paul Ray**  
**Ali Shelley**  
**John Van Der Put**  
**Andrew Melia**  
**Dave Allen**  
**Michael Jordan**  
**Don Simpson**  
**Will Gray**

**Hull**  
**Northampton**  
**Shrewsbury**  
**New York**  
**London**  
**Amsterdam**  
**Houghton Regis**  
**Huddersfield**  
**Rayleigh**  
**Leicester**

### Awards

First Prize - the **Zina Bennett Cup** + £1000.00 cash

Second Prize - £500.00 cash

Third Prize - £250.00 cash

The **Rovi** trophy may also be presented to the competitor exhibiting a high level of skill with playing cards in an entertaining manner.

Chairman of Judges **Mike Gancia**

Judges: **Jim Boyd, Walt Lees, Trevor Lewis and Obie O'Brien**



Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
14.00 hours



## **LADIES' AFTERNOON**

Arranged by Julie Llusion and the Ladies' Committee

Sussex Cream Tea will be served at 14.15 hours followed by  
Guest Speakers

## **James Mitchell & Grahame O'Conner (on the piano)**

who will present

### **'Flanders & Swan'**

Ticket required

Raffle tickets will be sold during the afternoon

Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
14.30 hours



## **•STAR WORKSHOP•**

Shirley Ray

will introduce

## **Jeff Hobson**

*Egg Bag Workshop*



Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
16.15 hours

The Floral Hall

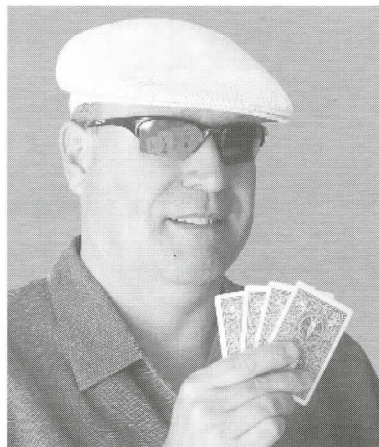


•**STAR LECTURE**•

Paul Stone

will introduce

**Bob Kohler**



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19.00 hours

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**Micro Marathon**

Arranged by

**Ali Bongo**

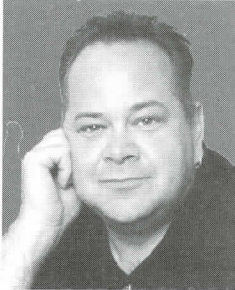
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Registration Desk

Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>  
21.00 hours

The Congress Theatre



# ***THE THURSDAY NIGHT SHOW***

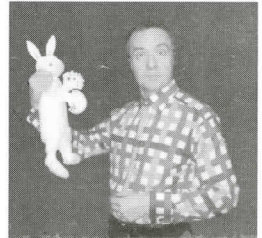


John Archer

***John Archer***

will introduce

***Levent***



Levent



Mark Mitton

***Mark Mitton***

***Michael Weber***



Michael Weber

**Music by Michael Close**

**Stage Directors: Neil Roberts, Bill Dobson  
Arranged and Produced by Paul Stone**



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23.00 hours

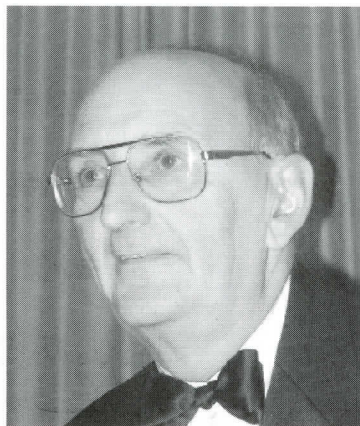
The Floral Hall



## ***Late Night Show***

*Magic and Fun with some of the Stars*

## **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.



Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
09.15 hours

The Floral Hall



## ***ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING***

and

### **Election of Officers for 2008/9**

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 26<sup>th</sup>  
10.30 hours

The Congress Theatre



## ***THE JEFFREY ATKINS MEMORIAL LECTURE***

This is presented annually, during the Convention, by a distinguished member or guest as a fitting tribute to a long serving and dedicated member of the British Ring.

Immediate Past President

**John Styles MBE**

will introduce

***Geoffrey Durham***

*Finding the Magic Ingredient*



Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
12.00 hours

The Floral Hall



•**STAR CLOSE-UP  
SHOW**•

Mike Gancia

will introduce

**Juan Tamariz**



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12.15 hours

The Congress Suite



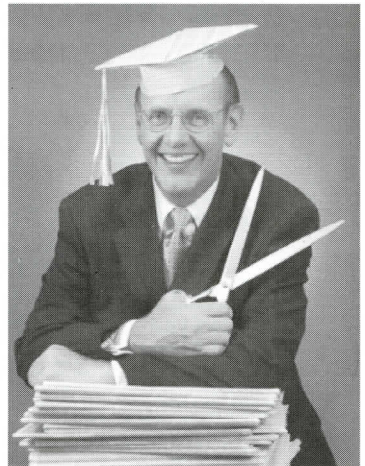
•**STAR LECTURE**•

John Palfreyman

will introduce

**Gene Anderson**

*The Part Time Pro: Personal Favourites*



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14.15 hours

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**EDDIE DAWES**

Presents

**JUBILEE  
JUBILATIONS**

**A Personal Celebration  
of Eastbourne**

Featuring

**ROY DAVENPORT**

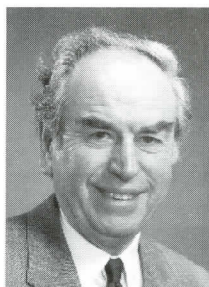
**ALEX PROCTOR**

**THE GREAT NARDINI**

**ROMANY**

**AMETHYST**

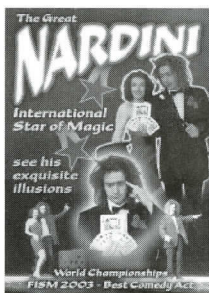
Accompanied at the  
Keyboard by  
**Dave Cass**  
Stage Director  
**Neil Roberts**



Eddie Dawes



Roy Davenport



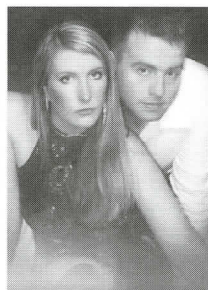
The Great  
Nardini



Alex Proctor



Romany



Amethyst



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16.30 hours

The Congress Theatre



•**STAR LECTURE**•

Jon Marshall

will introduce

***Kalin & Jinger***



Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
16.30 hours

The Floral Hall



•**STAR LECTURE/WORKSHOP**•

Peter Scarlett

will introduce

***Derek DelGuadio***  
***and Jason England,***

*"Hard Core Card Session"*



Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
18.30 for 19.00 hours

The Gold Room

All diners are invited to meet in The Congress Suite for Buck's Fizz before proceeding to The Gold Room for the

## **CONVENTION BANQUET**

Organised by John Pye with Olive Fletcher and Moira Fletcher  
**GRACE**

Rev Alan J Clarke

### **MENU**

Trio of Melon  
Served with Raspberry Sauce

Roasted Sussex Lamb  
Roasted Potatoes  
Seasonal Vegetables

Warm Apple Pie  
Crème Anglaise

Coffee

Dress: Dinner Jacket or Dark  
Lounge Suit

### **TOAST LIST**

*The Queen*  
Proposed by the Immediate  
Past President  
John Styles MBE

*The British Ring*  
Proposed by  
Joan Caesar  
International President IBM

Response by  
John Styles MBE  
Immediate Past President  
who will also propose the  
toast to  
*Eastbourne and the guests*

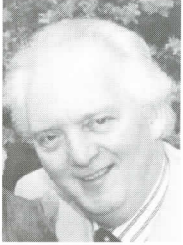
Response by the Worshipful  
The Mayor of Eastbourne  
Councillor Greg Szanto

Toast Master: Mike Ramsden  
Music by Dave Cass

Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
22.00 hours

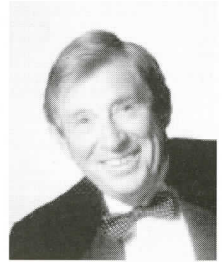
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## **THE PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**



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**Trevor Lewis**



Trevor Lewis

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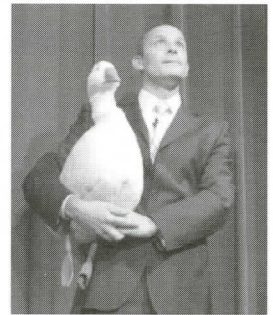
## **THE LATE GALA**

**Denny Haney**

will introduce



Denny Haney



Richard McDougall

**Richard McDougall**

**Guy Holloway**

**Mark Raffles**



Mark Raffles

Music by **DAVE CASS**

Stage Director **Neil Roberts and Bill Dobson**

Arranged and Produced by **Paul Stone**

Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
24.00 hours

Lansdowne Hotel

**EXTRA CHARGE EVENTS**

In the Alfriston Room

**Paul Wilson**

*The way of the Con*



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Tickets available at £10 each from the  
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Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
24.00 hours

Lansdowne Hotel

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**Midnight with  
Juan Tamariz**

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from 10.00 hours





Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
10.00 hours



## •STAR LECTURE•



John Pye

will introduce

## **Michael Weber**

*Aliena nobis, nostra plus aliis placent  
A conversation with Michael Weber*

### **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.

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Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
10.30 hours

The Devonshire Park Theatre



## **CHILDREN'S SHOWTIME**

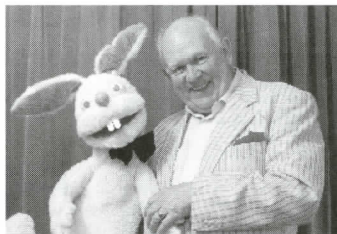
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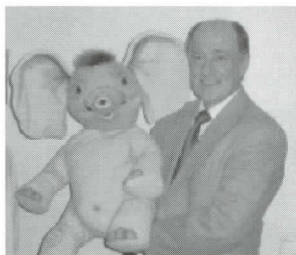
Jonathan Shotton

will introduce

### **Jonathan Shotton**



Terry Herbert



Dave Andrews

### **Dave Andrews**



The Safire MLP

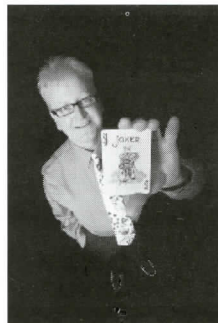
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and the famous  
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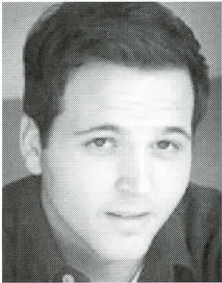
Produced and directed by **Terry Herbert** Mike Bent  
Stage Managers: **Moira Fletcher, Rena Findlay**

Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
11.30 hours

The Floral Hall  
The Gold Room  
The Congress Suite

# ***International Close-up Gala***

Arranged by Paul Stone  
Produced by Steve Evans



Derek Delgaudio

***Derek Delgaudio***



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***Bob Kohler***



Bob Kohler

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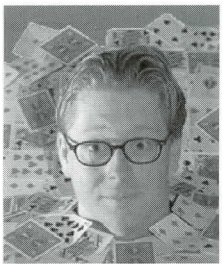
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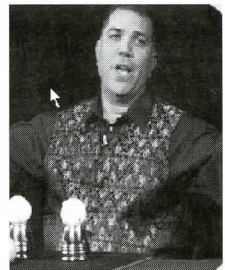
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***Nicholas Einhorn***

***Glenn Farrington***



Jon Armstrong



Glenn Farrington

Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
13.00 hours

The Floral Hall



## **GRAND AUCTION**

Auctioneer:

***Jimmy Craig & Jim Boyd***

Proceeds to the Welfare and Benevolent Fund

Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
14.00 hours

The Floral Hall



## **•STAR LECTURE•**

Ali Bongo

will introduce

***Juan Tamariz***





Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
14.15 hours

The Gold Room



**Eddie Dawes**

presents

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ROY FIELD

*Dleisfen, the Forgotten British Ring Secretary*

JOHN PALFREYMAN

*Illusions of Grandeur*

Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
16.00 hours

The Floral Hall



**•STAR LECTURE•**

Steve Evans

will introduce

**Guy Hollingworth**

*The Guy Hollingworth Lecture*





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presents

**INTERNATIONAL  
STARS  
OF  
MAGIC**

**The Congress Theatre  
Eastbourne  
Saturday September 27th 2008  
20.00 hours**

**Arranged and Produced by Paul Stone  
Stage Directors: Bill Dobson & Neil Roberts**

# INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW

Your Master of Ceremonies



Jeff Hobson

**Jeff Hobson**

will introduce

**Jason Byrne**



Jason Byrne

**Raymond  
Crowe**

**Michael  
Finney**



Raymond Crowe



Michael Finney

**Norm Nielsen**

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Norm Nielsen

# INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW



Jeff Hobson

**Jeff Hobson**

returns  
to introduce

**Tony Chapek**



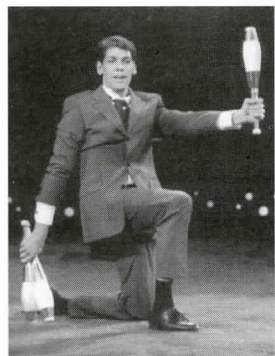
Tony Chapek

**Claudius  
Specht**



Kalin & Jinger

**Kalin  
&  
Jinger**



Claudius Specht

Stage Directors  
**Neil Roberts , Bill Dobson**

Arranged and Produced by  
**Paul Stone**



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Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>  
17.00 hours

The Congress Suite

Mandy Davis

invites you to a

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Featuring stars of the Convention

For members and non-members aged 10 - 18 only

Sunday September 28<sup>th</sup>  
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Sunday September 28<sup>th</sup>  
10.45 hours

The Floral Hall



**Cynthia Neptune**

presents

## ***STARS OF THE FUTURE***

Including: **Ed Hilsum, Sara Jade & Leah Mae**

**Megan Knowles-Bacon**

Followed by

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1959 Howard Peters	1976 Bob Gill	1992 Steve Bedwell
1960 Arthur Settrington	1977 Wayne Dobson & Peter Duffie	1993 Dusty
1961 Bob Ostin	1978 Rex Cooper	1994 Alistair Cook
1962 Ali Bongo	1979 Ken Hawes	1995 David Penn
1963 Claude Manley	1980 Harry Nicholls	1996 Jayson George
1964 Ted Daniels	1981 Mark Leveridge	1997 Herman Koster
1965 Jack Lowen	1982 Janet Clare	1998 Jon Allen
1966 Norman Pearce	1983 Rex Cooper	1999 Trevor Stone
1967 Larry Spencer	1984 Eddy Smit	2000 Lee Davis
1968 Arthur Settrington	1985 Kevin Reay	2001 Sean Carpenter
1969 Not held	1986 John Hotowka	2002 Mark Shortland
1970 Geoff Ray	1987 Tony Brooks	2003 Richard Pinner
1971 Trevor Lewis	1988 Mike Austin	2004 Mel Harvey
1972 Kevin Fox	1989 Stephen Ford	2005 Tim Shoosmith
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# FROM THE CHIEF WELFARE OFFICER

Message from the Chief Welfare Officer received shortly before his death - may he rest in peace.

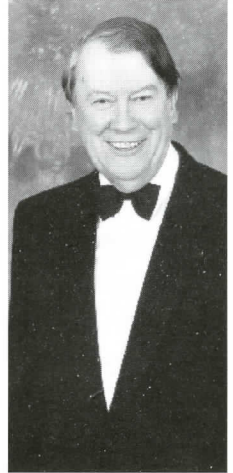
As we come together to enjoy this Convention, do spare a thought for those who cannot be with us for various reasons, especially those who are ill or for age reasons can no longer travel.

Do please give your support to the Welfare Stand and the Tombola as we rely heavily on these in order to effectively sustain the work of the Welfare Section.

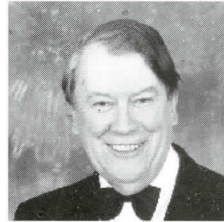
For those who are here, it's good to see you in good health, so enjoy every magical moment.

DEREK

Derek McFaul, Chief Welfare Officer, British Ring No.25



## **Your President and Officers**



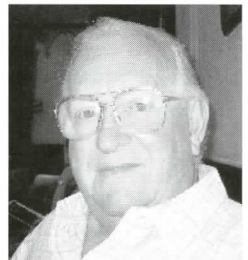
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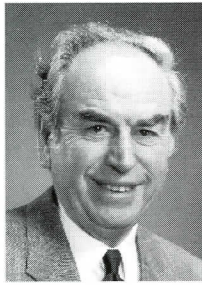
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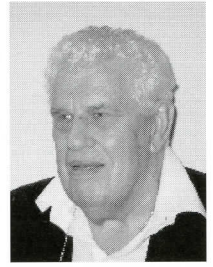
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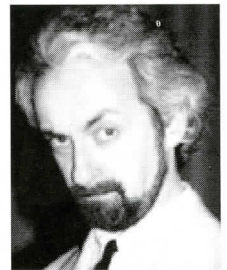


Shirley Ray



Peter Scarlett

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Stephen Tucker  
Budget Editor



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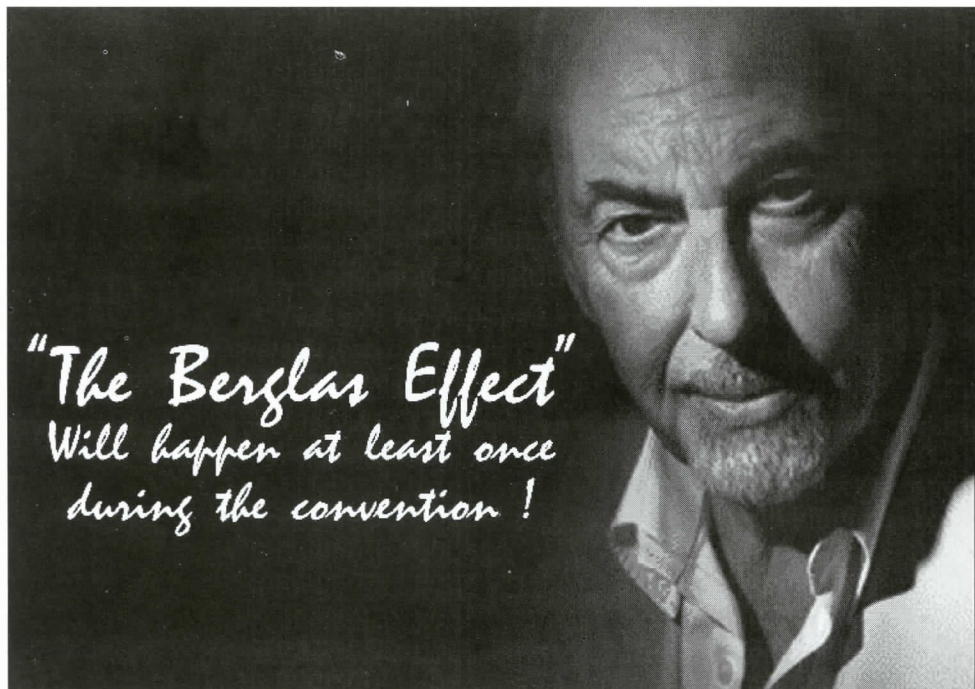
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1948	Geoffrey Robinson	1980	Josephine
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1950	Louis Martelle	1982	Not Awarded
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1953	Elizabeth Warlock	1985	Shahid Malik
1954	Derrick Speight	1986	Al Glennan
1955	Devolyn & Irene	1987	Mystina
1956	Geoff Gregson	1988	Not Awarded
1957	Ron MacMillan	1989	Alex Taylor
1958	Marjorie Waddell	1990	Richard Griffin
1959	Ralph Hall & Mollie	1991	Jimmy Carlo & Crystal
1960	Larry Spencer	1992	Philippe
1961	Robert Sinclair	1993	Not Awarded
1962	Robert Swadling	1994	Tricky Business
1963	Gordon Watts & Shirley	1995	Marie Claude Chantelle & Co
1964	Ali Bongo	1996	Guy Barrett
1965	Phil Haigh	1997	Not Awarded
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1968	Christian	2000	Leo Ward
1969	Tony Shelley & Elizabeth	2001	Mark Shortland
1970	Geoff Ray & Pat	2002	The Great Nardini
1971	Malcolm Nunn	2003	Richard Pinner
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Jonathan  
Shotton

Dave Andrews

The Safire  
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Mike Bent  
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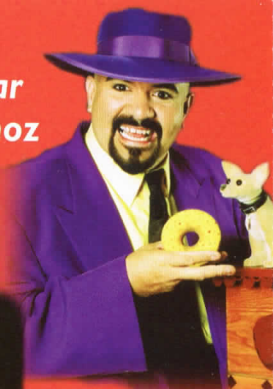
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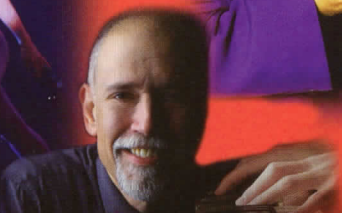
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