

Report of the 22nd World Scout Jamboree, Rinkaby, Sweden



More than 39.000 Scouts, including 9.000 International Service Team (IST) members from 155 countries participated in this event.

Venue

The 22nd World Scout Jamboree took place from July 27 – August 7, 2011 in Rinkaby,

Sweden. For IST the arrival date is July 25 and departure date is 8 August. Rinkaby is situated in the south of Sweden below Kristianstad. The Rinkaby fields are transformed into a huge camp site and have four towns. These towns are named after the four seasons.- summer, autumn, winter and spring - this last one is the adult home of the IST members. The 18 sub camps are named after geographical locations in Sweden related to the Season in the town in which they are situated. When you enter the Jamboree site through the main gate there is a main road - called Time Avenue - where you reach the heart of the Jamboree: the Four Seasons Square. At this square you can find everything you need such as a bank, pharmacy, Jamboree Shop, Information Centre, Post Office, Laundry and media centre. Also spontaneous activities are available and exhibitions and displays by the Jamboree main partners. There is also a Scout Museum and a swapping area. North of the Four Seasons Square you can find the Global Development Village. Many organisations are represented here like ISGF. The ISGF booth is a huge tent of 4 x 18 meters and its entrance is adjacent to the swapping area and the Scout Museum.

Theme

This year's Jamboree is built on the theme: "**Simply Scouting**". There are three key words that embody the theme: Meetings, Nature and Solidarity.

Volunteers for the ISGF World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) Team

Harald Kesselheim, member of World Committee (WCom), had been appointed as organizer to take care of manning the ISGF booth and find the volunteers, as decided during WCom meeting in March 2009. A small article was published in ISGF Info October 2009.

2. Participation ISGF members at World Scout Jamboree Sweden 2011

The 22nd World Scout Jamboree will take place from 27 July till 7 August 2011 in [Kristianstad](#), Sweden, with around 40,000 Scouts expected to attend.

Many Adult Scouts and Guides would want to be at the Jamboree. Of course they can go to the Jamboree as visitors, but there are two ways in which an Adult Scout or Guide can actively participate in the event as International Service Team (IST) members. All IST members must arrive on site 25 July 2011 and can leave 8 August 2011.

The first is to be available to serve at the ISGF booth which is going to be set up at the Jamboree. A minimum of 10 adults are necessary to service the booth, but a job can be found for a few more if necessary. Good knowledge of at least one of the two official languages of ISGF – English or French – is a prerequisite. Those who are interested can have the International Secretary of their NSGF contact World Committee member Harald [Kesselheim](#) (harald.kesselheim@bv.aok.de), who will co-ordinate the operation. Members of the Central Branch can apply through the Central Branch co-ordinator [Lenny Doelman](#) (l.doelman@isgf.org). A second way is to help at the Jamboree. This participation is conditional upon the agreement of the National Scout Organisation (NSO) of the country in question. As a matter of fact IST participants have to be included in the national contingent which is managed by the NSO. If your NSGF is a section of the NSO there should be no problem; if not, your NSGF has to conclude an ad hoc agreement with the NSO. This was happened in several countries for the 2007 Centenary Jamboree and may happen again in 2011. Again, candidates have to be fluent in either English or French.

All ISGF members pay the same fee as IST members (in 2007 the costs per person were 650 € which amount does not include your travel and personal expenses but only Jamboree participation fee and food). All IST members will be sleeping in their own tents at the IST area.

Mario Sica, ISGF World Committee member

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Most of the National Scout Organisations have a deadline around the first half of 2010 for registration of IST members. Harald got some response from applicants and he has also contact in between with Gunilla Engvall, the National President of NSGF Sweden. Not all IST members want to sleep in their own tent so Gunilla has to look around for accommodation in a nearby school, a bed & breakfast place or a youth hostel. Gunilla also has the contacts with the Swedish Contingent and Swedish Jamboree Organisation. The deadline for registration for Harald was 31 January 2011 while most of the NSO's already closed their registration. On 29 September 2010 Harald inform us that the Swedish Organising Committee confirm our participation. Some IST members on Harald's list have no email and this is a serious handicap for the communication.

During WCom meeting March 2011 in Tavernerio, Italy, Harald updates the WCom on the ISGF WSJ team. He informs that the entire preparation is characterized by the unwillingness of WOSM. In total 14 volunteers have applied for the job coming from Austria, France, Ghana, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden and the UK.

On 14 April Gunilla receives an email from the executive director of WSJ 2011 who has been informed by Luc Panissod, the secretary-general of WOSM, telling him about the loss of the Consultative Status of ISGF. ISGF is not welcome anymore at the WSJ and there is no solution before the WSJ. Moreover not all team members are accepted by their National Contingents.

In the meantime Dave Andrews, the team member from the UK, has been asked by his NSO for an alternative job at the WSJ which he accepted.

On 24 June Harald sends an email that ISGF had a meeting with WOSM on 14 June and that the difficulties with WOSM have been solved and ISGF may have a booth at the WSJ. Unfortunately Harald informs that he cannot participate as he and his wife bought an apartment in Berlin and will move in August. A lot has to be done. He asks Leny to become team leader of the ISGF WSJ team. Leny starts to renew the contacts on 1 July and more people from this team have suddenly reasons to withdraw so the list was not the final. There was a meeting in Denmark on 6th July at Rigmor's place together with the husbands of Rigmor, Leny and Gunilla where they fix the displays and discuss the last arrangements for the ISGF booth. All costs, travels, food, etc relating to this meeting was paid by the people involved.

ISGF WSJ team

Ten members of which one part time) form the final ISGF WSJ team.

Austria: Anna-Greta Perkmann and Florian Sorger-Domenigg

France: Pascal Poumailloux

Germany: Klaus Halke (*Klaus has to leave the Jamboree grounds on the third day, Wednesday, as the German Contingent was not content with his presence here as it seems that he is also a member of a non WOSM German Scout organisation.*)

Netherlands: Leny Doelman

Sweden: Gunilla Engvall, Björn Johansen, Håkan Carlsson, Solveig Hillbro and Mariana Ceder (part-time).

Each team member receives a supply of 50 printed business cards as being ISGF WSJ team member.

All IST members have to do the Safe from Harm test before they leave home and bring a printed certificate to the Jamboree.

Accommodation ISGF WSJ team

Anna-Greta, Florian, Pascal and Leny Have their tent in Spring Town near their own National Contingent while the others are accommodated in a nearby school and youth hostel. Cars are parked at a far-away parking place and they have got a parking permit. There are some

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small kiosks in Spring Town but you need to queue in line to get in and you can only pay with your uploaded Event Card.

Meals at Jamboree

Breakfast is available in Spring Town from 05:30 till 09:00 hours. Yoghurt with muesli or corn flakes with yoghurt or porridge. Some sandwiches, typical Swedish knackebrot, cheese, sliced cold meat, juices, milk, coffee, tea.

Lunch is served also in Spring Town from 11:00 to 14:00 and it is a hot meal. Leny arranges take a way lunches for the members in the morning shift and the Jamboree Catering only accepts an email with this request. Rigmor collect the lunch packages and bring it to the booth. She is on the Jamboree in Spring Town and takes care of her grandson as her daughter and son-in-law are responsible for Spring Town. Rigmor has to baby sit and happily she has a bicycle with her.

Dinner: From 17:00 to 22:00 hour where you get a very basic meal but it filled your stomach.

Outfit



Because of the last minute call to have our booth Leny has to search quickly for a company who can deliver 30 polo shirts within two weeks with a print. At WCom meeting Brett had the idea to produce 500 shirts in Asia and sell the surplus during WConf. However this plan did not work out. Each WSJ team member receives one polo shirt free of charge and may buy additional polo's for 20 euros each. For 2 weeks you need for sure to change your clothes. There is also a laundry service on the Jamboree but it takes many days to have your goods returned. On the front of the polo shirt there is an ISGF logo (7 x 7 cms) and on the back in white lettering "ISGF-AISG" "International Scout and Guide Fellowship". (Width 23,5 cms and height 5 cms). The text has been positioned 25 cms from the collar so it does not cover the ISGF advertising text as you need to wear your IST scarf (green) as an identification during the Jamboree together with your identification card which you could upload with money and use as it paying card. No cash money on the Jamboree. Eight (8) polo shirts are left and will be sold at WConf.

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Display material

Leny shows a recommendation plan for our booth to the WCom during WCom meeting 2010 based on the experience done at last WSJ in 2007 in the UK.

ISGF can borrow a display from Rigmor's husband. New felt cloth has been mounted on 12 display panels and suitable for ISGF material that has Velcro strips on the back. We have 1900 ISGF leaflets of which we only used 900 and the remaining part will be distributed in the Nordic NSGFs. Information sheets about ISGF and a selection of photos from ISGF's all over the world. All this material has been enlarged from A4 to A3 and laminated and attached to the panel with Velcro strips on the back. The humidity in the tents destroys all material if not laminated.

The info sheets are in English and in French. We have 150 sets of printed material mentioned above for distribution for those visitors who wanted to have more background info or to be used as press kits.

Information maps with all the regular documents of ISGF in English and in French are available for consultation for the team members. We start to install the panels when we found a person via Gunilla to bring it from Rigmor's car to the exhibition area.

A huge laminated world map (property of Rigmor) is mounted on the wall in the booth and ISGF logo stickers has been put on all the ISGF countries where we have NSGFs and Central Branch members. Visitors want also to show their friends where they live so it attracts more visitors.

However we needed to take all the material down at the end of the day and also the loose material inside the tent and to store them in a chest with a lock.

Material supplied and ordered at the WSJ

9 tables, 8 chairs, 3 benches, electricity, one central ceiling lamp, cheap wood board for background world map were provided and paid by the WSJ.

Material supplied by NSGF Sweden

First aid kit, rope, extension electricity cord with multiple sockets, coffee, tea, cookies, cups, spoons, tea towel, dishwasher bowl, dishwasher soap, kitchen paper roll, napkins, 4000 sheets memo bloc paper, 200 pens, toilet paper, scissors, toolkit, staple gun, plastic wastepaper bags small, table cloths and a guestbook.

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Moreover NSGF Sweden had promotional material about their Fellowship to hand out to those who are from Sweden and interested to join their Fellowship.



Material supplied by Rigmor

Three standing displays: 2 with 4 panels, 1 with 8 panels all packed in a wooden chest that could be locked and 3 panels in a bag. Also there is an eye-catcher for outside: 3 panels of ply wood and on top of that a Scouting hat made of wood.

An ISGF banner visible on the front of the tent (see above photo with ISGF WSJ Team).

Material supplied by Leny

ISGF flags two sizes 130 x 190 and 200 x 280 as no stock of ISGF flags at World Bureau. Also many laminated A3 material and A4 photos and Velcro to attach the laminated material.

Material supplied via World Bureau

1900 ISGF leaflets and a banner 300 x 0,80 cms that has been produced for WSJ 2007

ISGF Jamboree badge



After a tradition of various World Scout Jamborees, ISGF produced the navy blue colored background for the WSJ badge. However to be in line with our scarf, the badge for this year has been printed on PMS 292. The factory in the Netherlands did a great job to produce them in a limited time as we gave the order to print them at the moment that we were sure that we had a booth.

ISGF Beach flags

Two Beach flags have been produced and they were very visible from a distance. They will be used for the coming World Conference in Como, Italy.

ISGF Stamp

A self inking stamp has been produced with the following text in PMS 286 blue:



A lot of Jamboree participants wanted to have their WSJ booklet stamped.

Stamp Bank

The Stamp Bank of NSGF Sweden has a huge collection of stamps, postcards etc. Björnar, the Stamp Bank manager of Sweden is behind his booth. Many used stamps are sold and other material. One quiz question is about the Stamp Bank. Many visitors are roaming around in the containers of used stamps. It was a good attraction.

The Stamp Bank collected a total amount of 350 euros for the ISGF International Development Fund.

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Weather

In the beginning Sweden is suffering of wet weather. The Jamboree grounds become very muddy and extremely slippery. A lot of people bought rubber boots in the shop. The first days, being and struggling through the mud was a disaster, everywhere mud, in the showers and toilets. Happily they start to spread some wood chips. Later on the weather improves and we got temperatures above 23 degrees Celsius.

The closing ceremony is very wet too and it is raining cats and dogs all through the evening programme.

There were also some troubles with the water supply. We are not allowed to use the showers between 06:00 and 10:00 hour as the kitchen in Adult Town needs the water for preparing lunch. So instead you need to take evening showers. The knobs of the showers are too high and persons less than 1.65 meters cannot easily reach them so you have to jump up each time to get 10 seconds a flush of water. Later they provide sticks so you can easily reach the knob.

Working in the ISGF booth

We have shifts for two groups of four people from 09:30 -16:00 and from 15:30 to 21:30. After a couple of days we close at 20:00 hours or at 19:30 hour as no more visitors appear after that hour. Also the restaurant at Spring Town, is closed after 22:00 or sometimes earlier according to the programme and we all want to have a hot meal.

Andrès from Hungary was sent to our booth by the Job Centre as they could not find a job for this person and because he is an ISGF member of Hungary they thought we could make use of him. After having brainstormed with Rigmor on the phone we decide that he may stay in the booth for a couple of hours only that day.

Some countries organize receptions and invite the other NSO's. Leny arranged a pigeon hole for ISGF at the Contingent Management Team Centre and we got a pigeon hole of a country that had not arrived. We receive an invitation from the Czech and Slovak Contingent and Anna-Greta and Florian visit that event. Also an invitation of the Japanese Contingent and Leny went to this reception for networking etc. At the Taiwan invitation Leny left her business card at the Taiwan Contingent as only dragon dances were performed. Gunilla had two lunch invitations.

We created a small kitchen backstage and Gunilla from Sweden provided a water cooker for tea, a coffee percolator pot to make coffee, cookies, paper napkins, plastic jerry can for water, camping cups and plastic spoons. Some tea towels, dish washer brush, dishwashing liquid, washing bowl and dish clothes. Also we created backstage a corner for the laptop to work on as we had electricity and also our mobile phones and cameras needed to be charged. Björnar had taken his toolkit and his handy staple gun.

The organisation asked everybody to keep their booths open on the last days of the Jamboree until 16:00 hour on 6th August as there are still visitors coming in on the jamboree grounds. However, we notice that after lunch a lot of booths start to break up their exhibition. We stay open until 16:00 hour as the last day we are with the full team so many hands available. The dismantling of the tents by professional volunteers has been scheduled for August 7th in the morning.

The location next to the swapping area was advantageous but also very difficult. When there was too much sun they wanted to swap inside our booth and when it started to rain they want to shelter in our booth. There are hundreds of swappers each day and we created a kind of barrier with rope and poles alongside our booth so they are not sitting against our tent and could not damage anything. However we feel like policemen when they block our entrance or exit. It is unbelievable how much rubbish they leave each day. It is a scandal and not scout like at all.

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No tape or glue or anything should be fastened to the rented tents so the only possibility was to have displays and poles fixed to the walls on which you could attach info material.

Internet access

Internet is not optimal and we are disconnected in the beginning many times. With a laptop it is possible after some days to have a steady free connection and to connect to the wireless network in the Surf zones in the Town Centres. At the Town centres there are internet cafes open from 10:00 – 22:00 with computer that you can use free of charge. In Adult Town there is also a tent with computers where you can use computers but it is getting dark in the evening and too dark to see your keyboard.

Contacts

We have had more than four thousand visitors from all over the world in our booth. Leny had made a quiz and the visitors had to find the solution on the display panels. After completion of the quiz they receive a badge. That was a way to interest people and to make a chat with them. I found out that in several NSO's there is a "hidden" adult group who cannot get rid of the organisation because of the structure in that country. ISGF was not known. We received 5 new registrations for Central Branch members in the USA. Rwanda paid their fee via a messenger of their NSO.

Who visited our booth and/or left a business card?

Simon Rhei, chairman of WOSM WCom,
Erik Khoo, the representative of WOSM in WCom,
Toby Suzuki, CB member of Japan,
Ahmed Abdel Latif, Egypt (he received the bronze wolf during WSJ) and he had a cup of tea in our booth with Leny
Salvador Padilla, IS from NSGF Mexico.
A group from NSGF Denmark with Anne Haastrup, IS
A group from a regional Guild of Belgium
A group of the German NSGF
A group from NSGF France
Juan Davila, member of the CB group Argentina but living in the Netherlands
Cleophas H. Gbedji Oke from Benin, a friend of Paul Lokossou
Edgar Eduardo Robles Fonnegra, head of Contingent Colombia
M. Farooq Khan, Pakistan Scouts Association
Besra Isik, International Secretary Scouting and Guiding Federation of Turkey
Melissa Cormier, National council member Scouts of Canada
Syed Ehtesham H. Naqui, chairman National Islamic Committee on Scouting within the BSA
Robert Lynn Horne, Executive Director Las Vegas Scout museum

Some visitors took the website address of the NSGF in their country and other wanted to have a contact address of the International Secretary.

Contest

3663 visitors did the contest and received the ISGF Jamboree 2011 badge. The questions in English, French and Spanish were simple but they had to look carefully at the displays.

	Question	Answer
1	What is the full name of ISGF?	International Scout and Guide Fellowship
2	When was ISGF founded?	25 October 1953
3	How many members in world Committee period 2008-2011?	10
4	How many countries are member of ISGF	99

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5	What is the website address of ISGF?	www.isgf.org
6	Where and when is the next World Conference?	Como, Italy, 26 Sept. – 2 October 2011
7	What happens with the proceeds of the Stamp Bank?	International Development fund to support Guiding and Scouting

Visitors

Tuesday	26 July	25	25
Wednesday	27 July	110	135
Thursday	28 July	538	673
Friday	29 July	363	1036
Saturday	30 July	503	1539
Sunday	31 July	365	1904
Monday	01 August	368	2272
Tuesday	02 August	329	2601
Wednesday	03 August	393	2994
Thursday	04 August	262	3256
Friday	05 August	323	3579
Saturday	06 August	84	3663

About 10% did not want to do the contest but visited the booth so in total we had about 4000 visitors. Approximately 3000 day visitors visited the WSJ daily.

Budget

Officially there was a budget of 1.000 euro. However, this was adjusted during WCom meeting March 2011 to 1200 euro.

4000	ISGF Jamboree badges	763,27
	Train travel to get 1900 leaflets from WB	23,00
4000	Sheets of memo blocs	20,80
100	Pens	9,00
200	Plastic folders for info package	25,60
	Velcro tape	5,00
	Copy costs of 200 info packages EN/FR	18,30
	11 Polo shirts for each team member	206,36
	Print, laminate A3 sheets display material	47,87
	Self inking stamp with text ISGF	30,80
	Total	1.150,00

*The 2 Beach flags and prints of 15 large ISGF logos were put on the budget for Communication & PR as they will be used for more Conferences and gatherings.

Lost and found

Each day we collect lost and found in our booth and bring it to the Information Centre at Four Seasons square.

ISGF Info Newsletter subscription list

48 Visitors left their email address and want a subscription on the ISGF Info, the E-Newsletter. These lists will be sent to World Bureau.

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Complaints from an NSGF

We were approached by Alberto Albertini, National Secretary of MASCI who wanted to have a table in our booth to display all kind of material about the coming World Conference in Como. Italy.

Leny told them that we have no tables left in the booth and that we already have a question in the quiz dealing with the WConf. An A4 photo with the logo of the WConf with the location and the dates of WConf was on one of the displays. However, the National Secretary was not content at all and told Leny that the Stamp Bank had too much space in the booth. He got somewhat angry and told Leny that he will report to Mario about this. She also told him that the visitors for the booth are not the people who will visit the WConf and moreover registration date has passed. Alberto was also complaining about the complete absence of films and videos. However, we cannot have a beamer and a computer in a noisy area where we were located near the swapping area. Moreover the colour of the tent was white so showing films and/or videos the tent should be made dark. We do not have a room to store this precious material each day and the ISGF Team members will be getting crazy to hear the same sounds over and over again. We were focused on the quiz and the Stamp Bank as an attraction and that was why visitors entered our booth.

Suggestions

1. Why not register at the Jamboree as a non-profit service organization as ISGF is no Contingent
2. The knowledge about ISGF worldwide at the team members was minimal and was rather based on their national experience therefore the approach to possible potentials was not optimal. More briefing necessary before the WSJ.
3. To have a silent Adult Town for those who really want to sleep
4. Not to have the ISGF booth next to the Swapping area.
5. To have the entrance of the tent on the front and not on the side.

See you in 2015!

Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi, Japan, will be the host to the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

Further details are available at www.23wsj.jp

