

Membership Message 15/2022

Dear Members,

### **President's Year End Message**

As 2022 comes to its end, I am pleased to report that we finally managed to hold our 53rd Annual General Assembly in Bali. Now that the administrative side of the Assembly has been completed, it is my pleasure to address you as President of the Association for a further two years.

My last function of the year took me to Madeira to see how our joint project with the Association Airline Ambassadors on social/sustainability is progressing. Members will recall that we have a charity collection box in the Madeira airport aligned with our WACA Change Can Help programme. A report of the visit is herewith attached

It was a heart-breaking sad end of the year with the news of the demise of our dear friend and past president, *Gerry Philbrook*. In Gerry's memory, the 1st WACA Council Meeting of 2023 will be held in Vancouver, Canada, to coincide with his Memorial Service. At the Meeting, Council Members and Regional Coordinators for the term 2022–24 will be appointed and announced to the membership accordingly. Member Clubs' WACA Representatives and Members-at-Large are requested to send to Keith's attention any item(s) they would like to be included on the agenda.

In conclusion, my family and I would like to seize this occasion to wish you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year 2023 with much joy and happiness.

### **54th Annual General Assembly: The 2023 Interline Celebration, Amman, Jordan**

The Jordan Interline Club requests that all participants please complete the registration forms in capital letters and ensure their names are the same as those shown in their passports. Only surname (family name) and first names are accepted by the Jordan authorities not nick names.

#### ***Pre-AGA Tour: Cairo and Nile Cruise (24–30 September)***

Tickets for the Nile Cruise from Cairo to Luxor and from Aswan to Cairo and being purchased and, as above, it is most important that the participants name is the same as that shown in their passport.

#### ***Registrations***

Members are reminded that all registration forms should be sent by e-mail to: [jordaninterlineclub@gmail.com](mailto:jordaninterlineclub@gmail.com) not WACA Headquarters.

### **WACA Auditor**

The European Regional Coordinator, *Rosemarie Mamede*, and I.A.C. Zurich member, *Heidemarie Gilardoni*, recently visited once again our friend and WACA Auditor, *Mia Zwahlen*, in her nursing home near Zurich, Switzerland.

Rosemarie has sent the following message about the visit:

It was a great surprise for me to see how much Mia has recovered and the progress she has made since my last visit. Determined and disciplined, she trains daily with her physiotherapists to be able to soon walk again. Her first steps with a walker with support of her therapists have already been completed — most admirable! She sends you all warm greetings and hopes to be with us again very soon. My heartfelt thanks go to Heidemarie who graciously hosted me and, as always, was a first-class host.

If any member would like to send a message to Mia, Rosemarie will be happy to send it on your behalf:

[rosemarie.mamede@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarie.mamede@gmail.com).

### **In Memoriam**

Please see attached a memorial notice sent by *Valentina Philbrook* for the information of the membership. The Memorial Service for Gerry will be held on Wednesday, 25 January at 13:00 in the St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church Parish Centre, 2888 Delahaye Drive, Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada. Members are reminded to please respond to Valentina with their messages of condolence and advise her if they intend to attend the Memorial Service:

[ggphilbrook@gmail.com](mailto:ggphilbrook@gmail.com).

### **Membership Messages**

#### ***Communicate***

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#### ***Contribute***

If any WACA member has anything they would like to contribute to the next "Membership Message" please send the information to the attention of the WACA Administration Manager at WACA Headquarters.

Yours in interlining,

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