

JOTA-JOTI 2014: Largest Scouting Event in the World, Tallies 1.3 Million Participants

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA, April 14, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) and Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI) in their 57th and 18th year of operation, respectively, saw over 1.3 million Scouts and Guides communicate with one another across town and around the world.

They learned that it was snowing in Canada and raining in Malaysia. They encountered new accents and new languages. They discovered new technologies, new cultures, made new friends, and had a great deal of fun throughout the weekend of 18-19 October 2014. It was a worldwide learning experience from dawn to dusk and well into the night.

JOTA uses amateur radio for communication. At the event, nearly 20,000 licensed amateur radio operators put almost 12,000 stations on-the-air using state-of-the-art technology as well as a wide variety of other forms of communication – from Morse Code to satellite communication and even bouncing radio signals off the moon.

JOTI uses the Internet for communication. Slightly over 19,000 locations were in operation using Skype, internet message boards, and a wide variety of social media.

JOTI Radio and JOTI TV operated live on the web including interviews with leaders from the World Scout Committee.

Mari Nakano, a member of the World Scout Committee, from Japan, said: "Despite age, religion, colour, ability or



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disability, all could join from wherever they were to exchange friendship. It was the most accessible educational event that made participants feel that they were really a part of World Scouting, and feel the dynamics of the World movement."

[JOTA-JOTI](#) is always held on the third weekend of October. For 2015, the dates are 16 to 18 October. You can find more information about JOTA-JOTI at <http://www.world-jotajoti.info>. The full [2014 JOTA-JOTI Report](#) is at <http://jotajoti.info/2014highlights/>.

You also can learn more about all [World Scouting events](#) at <http://scout.org/worldevents>.

About the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM)

The World Organization of the Scout Movement is one of the largest youth organisations in the world. Scouting is a voluntary, non-political educational organisation, which is open to all, regardless of race or creed, in accordance with the purpose, principles and method conceived by its founder Robert Lord Baden-Powell in 1907. The Mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.

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