

# Report NORDIC RALLY September 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 SKAGEN, DENMARK

Providing an overview of activities during Nordic Rally 2016 Skagen, Denmark

#### **PROGRAM**

#### Friday September 16<sup>th</sup>

12.00 Opening ceremony

- Welcome to District 44. DP Annette Hedegaard, Randers Vestre IW Welcome NR Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel Denmark
- Entertainment Danmarkskoret. Conductor Neel Buur
- Opening speech. Mayor Birgit Hansen, Frederikshavn Municipality
- Practical information
- **Entertainment Danmarkskoret**
- Lunch 13.15 14.30 Session
  - Introduction. NR Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel Denmark
  - Guest of honor, IIW President Oluyemsi Alatise
  - Project Children home hospitality. PNR Lene Schade, Inner Wheel Denmark
  - Coffee break
  - Past Governor Peter Eigenbroth, Rotary District 1440. Rotary Denmark Communication and harmony between Rotary and Inner Wheel
  - International Inner Wheel From a Passive Spectator to an Active Opponent of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)? Board Director 2015/16 and 2016/17 Sissel H. Michelsen, Inner Wheel, Norway
  - How I took a U-turn and became a successful entrepreneur as a 50+ cancer survivor. Birgitte Reinhold Jakobsen, Saeby Inner Wheel

17.30 End of Friday's session 19.00 Welcome party

Saturday September 17th

09.30

Resumption of yesterday's session

IW learning. Vibeke Simonsen, Hadsten IW

- Drug dogs. Annika Lennström, Östra Frölunda IW
- Introduction to tour. Guide Gunvor Johnsen, Sindal IW
- 11.00 Closing ceremony. NR Lena Pedersen

#### Tour for registered participants

11.30 Departure by bus from Color Hotel Skagen

Guided tour at Skagens Museum

Lunch at Brøndums Hotel. Typical dish of Skagen

Departure by bus for Sandormen Departure driving Sandormen

Arriving at the very top of Denmark, Grenen where 2 seas meet

Gun shot at Grenen.

Bent Schade opens a "Champagne" bottle with a saber

Departure driving Sandormen Bus tour along the harbor of Skagen

Arriving Color Hotel Skagen

17.00

#### Krøyer's Gala Evening. Entertainment included

19.00 Welcome and introduction. NR Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel, Denmark

> Entertaining Strandby Belsene. Conductor Hans Ulrik Vadmann End of Nordic Rally 2016. NR Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel Denmark

September

Departure after breakfast

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#### **OPENING CEREMONI**

#### **Friday September 16th**

#### Welcome to District 44, Denmark.

District President Annette Hedegaard, Randers Vestre IW.

District 44 is the largest of the 5 districts here in Denmark. We are 899 members in 31 clubs, among those two on the Faroe Islands. In Denmark as a whole, we are 3027 members in 109 clubs.

It is a joy to be an Inner Wheeler.

It is with honor we welcome our Nordic guests and hopefully expand their sense of Danish culture.

And it is with excitement we open this social event, whose activities aim for letting us travel home, replenished with knowledge and inspiration.

On behalf of district 44 I wish you a wonderful Rally!

## Welcome to the Nordic Rally 2016 in Skagen National Representative Lena Pedersen, Denmark

Dear Madam President

Dear Mayer Birgit Hansen

Dear Inner Wheel members from Finland, Iceland, Sweden, Norway, Germany and Denmark

Dear Outer Wheels, our partners

A very warm welcome to Nordic Rally 2016 in Skagen.

It is a great pleasure to see you have accepted the invitation to attend an interesting and varied meeting for the coming days, hopefully, in company with Inner Wheelers from all the Nordic countries and your companions.

The very first time I heard the word "rally" I thought of motorsport - but it has nothing to do with an Inner Wheel Rally.

Rally is a social gathering, where it is possible to network and exchange ideas and views and increase mutual knowledge across national borders.

The Rally committee, Aase Christensen, Lene K. Schade and me, have in good cooperation with Color Hotel prepared everything we could, to make the event a unique and delightful experience. We have created the settings - but you have to fill it, with your good mood and positive mind.

We hope for some fantastic days in Skagen – the most northern place in Denmark – and we have asked the Clerk of the Weather to show the Northern Jutland at its best, with great late summer weather in September.

I will light the candle of friendship to indicate that the Nordic Rally 2016 is opened.

A warm welcome to all of you.

#### Entertainment Danmarks koret – Danish choir

#### Opening speech

#### Mayor Birgit Hansen, Frederikshavn Municipality

Welcome to Frederikshavn Municipality - welcome to Skagen - and welcome to Inner Wheel Nordic Rally 2016

Nordic Rally is held every three years, and this time you have chosen to be here at Skagen - at the northernmost point of our country and municipality. We are really happy to meet you here, because we love being hosts and invite new guests to our part of the world.

#### **Nordic cooperation**

I am very impressed with the work Inner wheel do across the national borders, because I think that cooperation with our closest neighbors is important, and unity makes us stronger.

Germany and Scandinavia are similar in so many ways - through language, culture, our history, humor and not least our mentality - that cooperation becomes easy/easier and we focus on the same things.

And I see this widespread here today, when I look on all of you – a bunch of volunteers across borders and age, across upbringing and life-stories – you are all here of your own free will, because of your desire to make a difference to somebody else...

And that makes me both happy and "warm" inside.

#### Look positively at things

... because precisely in these times, I feel that we – perhaps more than ever – needs people who works to understand each other and to help each other. At times I feel like we only focus on the good news, and we miss all the good deeds that people do...

That's why I am pleased, that you focus on promoting friendship and understanding. It is something we need and something we as human always must support and strive for.

As John Lennon wrote: "Oh I get by with a Little help from my friends" - this applies to all of us, whether we are people, municipalities, companies or countries!

#### Companies are needed

And speaking of companies...

I think it is important to recognize, that the businesses and the private sector is a fundamental part of our society, which makes things happen. The trade, growth and innovation the companies create and the opportunities and jobs they help generate are a path to prosperity and a better life for many. And we need to support and nourish these companies in the future. In Frederikshavn and Skagen we are expanding our two great harbors, and we are doing all we can to help educate our young people, to service the needs for an educated workforce in the future.

The companies that create the jobs and participate in the municipality are the backbone of our future, and we need to support and nourish these companies, because they again support and nourish the municipality

And the companies ALSO help create the foundation for the work, the money and the help which Inner wheel provides, so in many ways we come full circle to the earlier argument about cooperation, which is: cooperation with our neighbors and the people or companies on the "other side of the fence" is important - and unity makes us stronger.

#### Theme: Women's status in modern society

The theme for the Nordic Rally this time is: "Women's status in modern society"

And I think that you in a way represent your countries, the countries which helped to take some of the first steps to respect women's rights and standing in both the political life and in the labor market. You continue a struggle, which women started a long time before us. A persistent contest to create equal opportunities and equal standing for women worldwide.

Because one must remember, after all, that only a couple of decades ago, a woman mayor were something of a rarity ... (see note / fact-link).So... here again is a good story, a positive tale of volunteers working for a good cause - and it is a story like this we must tell.

#### Conclusion - the world needs people like you

So here at last, I would say that we all need friends to support us - need someone who listens and understands us - and need someone who is there for us when we stumble.

We all need "a global network of committed members who voluntarily give time and care to other people" - and I know that all the people you are helping through Inner wheel are grateful for your work! So good luck with the Nordic Rally - and last but not least: keep up the good work!

#### Entertainment Danmarks koret – Danish choir

#### Introduction

#### National Representative Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel Denmark.

The theme for Nordic Rally in 2016 is "Women's status in modern society" (now and in the future) – Kvinders vilkår og rolle I det moderne samfund.

To look at the status of women – in modern society now and in the future – I will start with a small retrospect.

I will look back on the status of women in Denmark and the Western world around 1948 soon after World War 2. This is the year in which the first Danish Inner Wheel club was founded in Haderslev. The members were women from the higher social class.

The woman was a status symbol, and she was the man's trophy.

The woman was usually at home, though the children and housework were looked after by staff. It was in the late 40s - early 50s where beautiful shoes with stiletto heels and beautiful hats were modern. To have an elegant a well-dressed wife and a beautiful home, illustrated that the husband had a good social status, and his wife didn't have to work.

Can you imagine the ladies going to Inner Wheel lunch meetings at the hotel in the city? Most of you have probably seen the Danish TV broadcast "Matador", as I know it has been shown in the Nordic countries.

The happy nuclear family, mother, father and two children, was the ultimate happiness.

At the end of 50s and 60s it was too much for the women only to be a decorative item. They began an education and got a job. But they could still attend lunch meetings in Inner Wheel.

The image of the happy family was now villa, Volvo and a woof.

In the 70s and 80s the women rebelled and fought for equality. The women were in the labor market and their work contributed to the family's status.

Inner Wheel meetings were now moved to evening meetings, because otherwise members could not attend because of their work.

The family picture changed and divorces occurred.

In the 90s the women choose the career. The men had to take part in the chores, and they even started taking maternity leave!

Now the women had no desire to be part of Inner Wheel, a women's club they could only join if their husband was a Rotarian.

Furthermore, there were many other networks which confirmed and inspired women in their working position.

In the (00s) Zero's things were moving fast. Both women and men made careers.

The children were cared for full-time in day care. The men took full maternity leave.

The women preferred Rotary, it was more prestigious to join a business club rather than being a member of Inner Wheel.

Many families were breaking up, divorced or established alternative accommodation facilities, the children lived a week with Mom and one week with Dad, respectively.

Prior to and during the economic crisis, many men suffered from stress.

In the 10s to now

The women are capable, make career, realize and control their own lives.

More women choose to have a child without a man (fertility treatment). The women choose their lifestyle and with whom they want to live. More refuges and woman collectives arise.

But never have there been so many stressed women and men, and never has there been such a large consumption of Prozac.

Both women and men seek getaways, where they can get off the race.

The new Inner Wheel members seek comfort and relaxation.

Has Rotary become a little more social where members meet for each other and not only to promote the career.

What happens in the future?

Will we be able to keep up with the future demands?

Do we understand to receive and implement the immigrant women who come to Denmark?

Do they understand and accept the way we prioritize our lives?

Do women become more and more selfish "I can, I want - me, me, me??"

In the Inner Wheel community "ego-trippers" luckily don't represent our values - and never will if I can decide.

I do hope the future will bring more tolerance, courtesy, respect and understanding. I do hope that both women and men will make room for each other and each other's personality.

It is my wish that we will be able to continue to stand together and create a family life, and to give the children who are brought into this world a positive and constructive base to start their lives on. We in the western world do have the possibility to get our priorities right, provided we do not act selfishly.

There are many places in the world outside our own little nest where we can offer our care and energy. It is precisely calculated from UNICEF, that there are 28 million children on the run!! Inner Wheel and Rotary is a good place to be and to meet, where we can inspire and support each other both on the human and career plan.

The Inner Wheel objects are: friendship, personal service and understanding and they have never been more relevant.

Let us all continue as good ambassadors for Inner Wheel.



## Women Status in Modern Society (now and in the future) Guest of honor, IIW President Oluyemisi Alatise

Status of Women now is a bit better compared with the past. Talking about modern society, I have to ask myself which part of the world do I want to focus on? I can only talk extensively about my immediate environment and a bit about other places supported by some research. The Nordic countries have been reputed to the best countries a woman can live in. I wish I could ask the question what happened in the past that created this phenomenal history about the status of women in your countries. It is the past that created the present, which will mould the future. Religion has played a significant role in the alienation of women. It has been embedded in the subconscious of the man that he is more important than the woman. We read in the bible and Quran that God created the man first and woman was taken out of the ribs of the man. Boys have nine ribs and girls have seven. The dominance is from time immemorial. Women are treated as chattel, acquired to be part wealth.

In most part of Africa and Middle East, women are to be seen and not be heard. Education is bridging the gap to some extent. There are very many different reasons to treat a girl differently from the boy. From the moment a woman conceive, the female foetus is endangered in some part

of the world. Upon arrival she is open to many kind of abuses. Female Genital Mutilation at very early age. After escaping that, the girl is faced with child marriage, which brings about Vesico Virginia Fistula. If she escaped that, she becomes a chattel to be bought or even be given away as a gift to family friends, or be sent on child labour. In marriage she is part of the household amongst many other women for farm hands and breed children to increase the number of labour on the farm. It does not stop there, if she grows old and survived the husband, she is passed on to another user as custom and culture demand. That is if she is not accused of killing her husband. She is made to drink the water used to bath to corpse. If she falls ill from the ritual, she is guilty of the offence, and will not get medical care she would be left to cold hand of death. If she died before her husband, her property is taken over by the husband. But she cannot inherit her husband. She is not entitled to own a land, where farming is the main occupation. Some countries even practice mercy killing. Where a brother can kill the sister for the flimsiest sexual excuses. The manner of abuse is endless.

Compulsory education has been very helpful in some countries. The harmful practises are reducing. Advocacy for NGO from government and institution are preaching and talking about these various abused. Countries have been forced to enact female friendly laws. The modern women are encouraged to claim their rights. What is needed is for the woman to stop the vicious circle and protect the girl child. The harmful cultural practises on girls from birth is meted out on them by their mothers. The modern woman needs to be able to stand up and say NO. I cannot do this to my daughter. In order to do that, she has to be economically independent, either through owning land for farming or educated and employable. Compulsory education is the key to move the status of women to a greater freedom.

The percentage of emancipated modern woman in my country is minimal. They are mostly from well-grounded families, with good education, economically independent and focal. They are irrepressible. If they find themselves in a bad marriage, nothing will hold them back to quit. There is very little tolerance for badly behaved husband. They are ready to take charge of responsibilities for the care of the products of the marriage. These are the regular women in Europe and United States of America. The modern woman is in charge in these countries. Men are forced to behave themselves. Child support and alimony are enforced to the letter. Western education in Africa is giving the woman some leverage.

That is part of the reason the religious activist in Africa is oppose to Western education (Boko Haram). Killing of University Students in Kenya, killing of and abduction of secondary school girls in Nigeria. Discouraging giving western education to girls by disrupting school activities. The extremist are very brutal in wanting to actualise their so-called religious belief. What the elites do is not to give attention to education over the years. A typical example is my country. In my part of the country, primary education has been free for over 50 years. I benefited from it. The whole western region of Nigeria had free primary education. The resources of the country were shared amongst all regions. Which includes education. The educational gap between the Northern and Western part of Nigeria is incredibly wide. The subtle dis-contempt for western education. That is why most of these harmful practises is dying down from my section of the country. The minimum education you will find amongst girls is secondary school, every girl can speak and write English in this part of the country. I come from that priviledged part of the country.

The Eastern part of Nigeria, in fact belief the girls should be more educated than the boys. The notion is changing by the day. It is all of selfish and economical gain. The higher the girl education is the higher the bride price. The boys are sent to learnt a trade, or go into business, acquire as much money as they can to marry an educated wife. Awareness of good education for both gender has improved.

That does not mean the girl is emancipated. She cannot divorce the man. Her education is for the home, she may not even be allowed to make use of it. She is regarded as a very expensive chattel. There is no bride price in the Western part of the country. The woman is free to divorce if the marriage falls short of expectation. So you have higher divorce rate is the West than in the East. In the North the woman has no say in any aspect of her life. She is under permanent control by the man.

Technology - The modern technology is even pushing the girl away from the industry. I was at a seminar at the Ford Foundation organised by the Price Water House. A documentary about the stakeholders of modern day technology was shown. The female is not in the scheme of things. They are encouraged to opt out at the very early stage. The invention on various applications on the internet is created by a man. The very technical job is handled by the man, and all the female does is to use this application. We need to encourage our girls to take more interest in science subjects.

The future of the modern woman is continuous education in the right subjects. Show more interest in Science subject at early age. More awareness and activism about the disadvantage of girls in every aspect should be encouraged. We tend to pamper and girls and push the boys. Parents are also part of the inequality of both genders. If we pamper the girls, she will not know how to push when she get into the world of competition. The boys we push will survive the competition, and pampered girls will be pushed aside. I belief girls are made of tougher of genes. Percentage of infant mortality of boys is higher than the girls. It is only a woman who can multi task. She can be pregnant, breast feeding and cooking at the same time. We are not the weaker sex. We are in fact stronger emotionally. A widow can survive with her children without remarrying for a very long time, despite all the atrocities against her. A widower cannot, he will look for assistance by marrying another woman to continue to uphold a family.

There comes the issue of single mothers. We have a programme in Districts of Inner Wheel Clubs in Nigeria that handle the training of additional skill acquisition for empowerment of single mothers and widows. We give small digits loan to help economic growth of their businesses. We train and equip them to start off and also monitor their growth. Small loan is not easily accessible to them, we have been doing Micro Finance very successfully for the past 10 years. There is financial institutional discrimination against this class of women. Inner Wheel in Nigeria is bridging that gap. There is a programme called Minority and Diversify Suppliers in Kenya. Where formations of group of women are encourage, registered as government suppliers in some category of items. The Procurement Ministry is duty bound to give them Government contracts. This is going a very long way in empowerment of women in Kenya.

I was at the 60<sup>th</sup> UN Commission on Status of Women, attended 15 Side Events. Got more educated and knew that women face a similar problem in most developed countries. A thought came to mind that International Inner Wheel should take more interest in the United Nation CSW. The compilation of "Female Priviledges and Challenges – Cradle to Old Age" started. I invited articles on this subject from the Countries where the problems are more prevalent. I received about 42 articles which I have put together as a Coffee Table Book.

The Modern Women in the Western world are in a very advantageous position, highly priviledged with education and technology. I want to use a simple hypothetical expression to compare the disparity of live amongst women from different part of the world. I will implore them to remember that anytime they used the water closet of the rest room. The gallon of clean water used to flush down the toilet is a gallon of gold to a great percentage of women in some other part of the world. The future of the Modern Woman is all in our hands. Thank you for your attention. I am sharing the Coffee Table Book to the District Chairman and Executive of the Nordic Rally. I hope it makes an interesting reading.

Oluyemisi Alatise

IIW President 2016/2017



#### Læs den danske oversættelse:



## Project Children Home Hospitality Past National Representative Lene Schade, Inner Wheel Denmark

These are the comments to my slideshow:

I will tell you about a project that is close to my heart.

I have been camp leader for my Lily Camp since 1993.

In 1992, Civil Protection League approached by the City of Katowice, asked if we would like a summer camp for Polish orphanages.

It is a project without public support, and all funds for implementation of the project is carried out by that I seek voluntary sponsorships.

Each year we invite 30 Polish children from children home on summer vacation for 14 days.

They come from the Katowiche area, which is a very dirty area - because of the many coal mines.

Children need fresh air and healthy food - lots of joy and hugs.

It takes 7-8 months to raise money for a summer camp. There are several Inner Wheel Clubs and Rotarian clubs that donate my project.

I will show you pictures from the years. During the years we have had a lot of beautiful children, participation in the summer camp in Denmark.

In Katowice area, geographically as large as this part of Jutland, there are 76 children homes with more than 3.000 children.

The children are either removed from the home or returned because the parents cannot take care of them. Many of the children have had a bad childhood, because they have not been treated well. Because of incest, violence or lack of basic care.

There are more than 70 children's homes in such a small area. Usually there are between 50 and 100 children in an orphanage, but they have tried to make small apartments so the kids can learn to function as a family.

The apartment project consists of about 15 children from 2-16 years. An educator to cook and create the framework for a small family. Missing money for the most part.

14 kr. per child per day for food and necessities for the children. There is no money for clothes and pleasures.

The apartments are worn out and placed in cheap properties.

The coal mines have been the primary work, and therefore the heating of the houses and the cooking have been based on the coal.

Only a few years ago we visited a children home where this way of cooking was normal - a cooker heating with coal.

As a camp leader I cannot run the camp on my own.

I need a lot of volunteers because we have a lot of jobs to do.

Cleaning, cooking, washing, playing, etc.

We have helpers of all ages. Fortunately we have a lot of young helper's these years. The helpers are from 15 years to 75 years. And they are doing a fantastic job.

We change the school classrooms into nice sleeping rooms for the children.

They are going fine to sleep in "beds" which features teddy bear, towel, toothbrush and other personal hygiene products.

After having traveled in bus from Poland for 20 hours, they are happy to arrive at the summer camp. But often they are not tired!

They don't bring much along, but we are prepared to give them a lot of things that they need. Here you see the whole group and during the two weeks we are like a big family.

The first night we take them to the sea to watch the sun go down. Most of them have never been close to the sea, because they don't live close to the sea and because no one ever took them to the sea.

If the weather is like these days we take the children to the beach. We have to take care because they are not used to the water and the danger.

Bonfire is a perfect activity and it doesn't cost much.

One of the most expensive activities is the day we spend in Faarup Summerland. But it is a fantastic day and I will do my very best to collect the necessary money for that.

To be able to do cozy activities together with the children, music is fantastic. And we are lucky to have some of our young helpers that are so great doing that.

Normally the children are not used to get a lot of service in the children houses. Therefore we conduct at Gala evening for them.

They dress up and the girls borrow some makeup. It is a fantastic evening where we serve cocktail, and serve a 3 course menu and lemonade.

The waiters - some of my helpers - are making a lot of fun with the children.

Every year we have our local Rotary Exchange student at the camp. Some years we have more from the neighboring clubs.

It makes a great impression on the young students.

We collect a lot of things for the children, and this little girl had her first doll. She was so lucky, and feels that now she could be a mom.

The boy Kamil, was removed from his family, because of mistreat and he had only been feed with bread and water. He would not eat at the children home, but with a lot of loving care and patience we succeeded and he started eating. I was "playing" food into his mouth at mealtimes, until he seemed to get interested in what he was served. Everybody had wet eyes.

District 44 in Denmark has a teddy bear project, which was started by Past President Majbritt Bendixen. "My" children have received teddy bears from this project, and it is a great pleasure for them to have their very own teddy bear.

We collect clothes and we make a small shop where kids can pick up clothes. There dragged clothes home and educators helps them also to get winter clothes home. They do not have many clothes that are their own. Here I have good help from Inner Wheel Clubs in Denmark. Approximately every other year we go to Poland with relief. It is quite expensive to get transport so far, so it takes me a few years to have collected money for such a trip. We then collect many things which are allocated to orphanages.

The bus is totally filled with stuff for the children. A lot of clothes. The polish leaders from last year had packed a lot of needed stuff for the children. They are aware of the needs back in the children homes. We were happy to bring it to them

We have only one seat each and space for at sports bag each. The participants are paying for the trip themselves, and I am collecting the money for renting the bus. It is fantastic to meet some of the children again. And they are so happy.

At the orphanage in Myslowice were children of all ages. Here are small.

There was also a baby department (department) as I was allowed to see. Mothers can deliver babies if they cannot take care of them and many have children taken away from home, because they have already proven that they cannot take care of them. (Catholics). Great effort, but not the resources to provide the babies meals / Damage for life.

My good friend sister Goretje is a nun.

More than 60 children come every day and get breakfast and prepared for school. After school they come and get food and doing homework and playing. Going so home and sleep.

The children are not referred by the municipality but find their own way to the nun through the children already receiving help and care.

Sister Goretche has dedicated her life to take care of the children. All the money for running the place is collected by the noon and the volunteers helping her. We support them with money and stuff that we are collecting ourselves. Here she gets a gift of money for food and medicine and a playhouse from last visit.

When we collect clothes for the children we often also receive adult clothes. This stuff we bring to an elder home.

Children need help - they have not even asked to come to the world

## Communication and harmony between Rotary and Inner Wheel

Vice Governor Peter Eigenbroth, Rotary District 1440, Rotary Denmark



International Inner Wheel – From a Passive Spectator to an Active Opponent of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM?)

Board Director 2015/16 and 2016/17 Sissel H. Michelsen, Inner Wheel, Norway . This program is not to be published.

How I took a U-turn and became a successful entrepreneur as a 50+ cancer survivor.

Birgitte Reinhold Jakobsen, Saeby Inner Wheel, Denmark

Click below and learn more:



Saturday September 17th

#### IW learning.

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#### **Drug dogs**

#### Annika Lennström, Östra Frölunda IW, Sweden

IW-året 1986-87 startade distrikt 236 försäljning av korrespondenskort till narkotikabekämpning hos svenska tullverket.

Rosen är målad av en svensk konstnär och vi fick löfte av henne att använda rosen på korten.

Under de flesta av åren har jag ansvarat för försäljningen av dessa kort.

Många klubbar skänker pengar och även enskilda medlemmar bidrar.

Tullen i Sverige har ingen annan organisation som hållit på så länge och med så mycket pengar som Inner Wheel! Detta har också gjort att Inner Wheel och tullen har ett nära samarbete. Vårt projekt spänner nu fram till 30 juni 2019 och inför detta får vi diskutera i klubbarna hur vi skall gå vidare--- fortsätta eller ny överenskommelse.

Sedan starten har svenska IW skänkt pengar till tullverket så de har kunnat köpa in 65 hundar utanför deras budget.

Hundarna är "användbara" i 6-9 år sedan går de i pension och får stanna som familjehund hos hundföraren. Där har hundarna levt sitt liv hela tiden från inskolningen och inlärning. Varje hund kostar upp mot 100 000 kr men har periodvis kostat omkring 200.000 kr.

Varje år väljer Tullverket ut den hund som stoppat mest narkotika vid tullstationerna. Utnämningen sker i december på en stor hundutställning i Stockholm. Flera gånger har det varit en IW-hund! Årets hund 2015 heter

Pepsi och "sparade" 32,7 miljoner åt staten! Pepsi kom insmugglad till Sverige från Irland!

Alla IW-hundar får ett stort IW-märke i halsbandet och det kan man alltså se vid olika tullstationer,

Numer har även post, fängelser och en del sjukhus i behov av knarksökande hundar. Korten kostar 40danska kronor i en bunt med 5 kort och kuvert.

Tack för att jag fått chansen berätta om svenska IWs längsta projekt!

### Rally 2019

Invitation to Nordic Rally 2019 in Norway. Helene M. Torkildsen, Arendal-Nedenes IW, Norway

#### Introduction to tour

Guide Gunvor Johnsen, Sindal IW, Denmark.

#### Closing ceremony

#### National Representative Lena Pedersen, Inner Wheel Denmark

Thank you for your participation in this arrangement and involvement.

We hope you have had a fantastic experience and have had many good new Inner Wheel relations, which can be enjoyed for many years to come.

We, Aase, Lene, our husbands and I, have done what we could to give you a good experience and to show Skagen and Denmark from its best.

Tomorrow I hope you will all have a safe journey home and to see you soon again.

#### List of participants



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Songs by Kristjana Þórdís Ásgeirsdóttir, Iceland will appear very soon as videos on the website of <a href="https://www.innerwheel.dk">www.innerwheel.dk</a>



Text of the songs Kristjana Asgeirsdotti

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