



# PARTY IN FLEET STREET

40th Birthday Celebration  
1ST JULY 2009



# INTERNATIONAL BUILDING PRESS

## A CELEBRATION

In contemporary music and song, of forty years of IBP

AT 7.00 PM AT ST BRIDE'S, FLEET STREET

Produced by  
**Gerald Bowey**

Co-Produced, St Bride's  
**James Irving**

Director of Music, St Bride's  
**Matthew Morley**

Co-Produced, The Press House  
**Robert Kidby**

Production Manager  
**Mairi Sinclair**

AND FROM 8.15 PM AT THE PRESS HOUSE WINE BAR



Live music from  
**Clarence King and the Regents, fronted by Bob Kidby**

With guest performances from well-known property and construction industry professionals

# FORTY AND STILL GOING STRONG

In April 1970 the then editor of Building, Ian Leslie, invited a couple of dozen people, representing magazines, industry bodies and 'information officers' to a lunch at the Waldorf Hotel when it was unanimously agreed to form IBP.

This was the result of Ian's presence "at an evening in May 1969 after a trip to the Rotterdam harbour extensions when a handful of Dutch, German, British and Belgian journalists, all working in the field of the building industry were sitting together in a Rotterdam pub and decided to form an organisation of mutual friendship, help and information under the name of the International Association of the Building and Construction Press, in short IBP". That's a quotation from the first IBP Bulletin published in The Hague in February 1972.

After the Waldorf lunch a steering committee was formed to codify the aims and objectives of the UK Branch. By August 1971 we had 55 members and were beginning to be recognised as representative of the technical press serving the British building and construction industries. We held our first dinner in November 1970, at the London Press Club and decided to make it an annual event. (This later became the annual National Journalism Awards dinner).

The first Minutes of the steering committee, which still exist, tell us that the first president was Ian Leslie, Leslie Black, editor of Building Trades Journal was chairman and Douglas Clayton, the secretary general of the International Union of Building Centres, ably assisted by his secretary, Ruth Magnus, was the first secretary of IBP. Arthur Watts, editor of Illustrated Carpenter and Builder was appointed treasurer.

Ian Leslie organised the first one-day seminar in October 1974 and by the same year we were having more or less monthly meetings, usually at The Building Centre. Also, by that time the editors of most papers had agreed to allow membership subscriptions to be charged to expenses, thereby securing IBP's future. But it was not until the AGM of 1975 that formal rules were adopted.

Although it was always the intention for IBP to become an international organisation it never really achieved this objective. The main reason was that in Europe the construction press was not based almost exclusively, as it was in the UK at least then, in the capital cities, making attendance at meetings time consuming and expensive. The Dutch branch finally disappeared in 2004 leaving the UK the only surviving branch. 

# INTERNATIONAL BUILDING PRESS

Since the early 1970's IBP UK has grown and developed. The IBP National Journalism Awards came into existence in 1975. At that time there was a single engineering category sponsored by and called the John Deere Travel Scholarship.

In 1995 IBP expanded and change its strapline to the International Association of Construction, Design and Property Press to further encourage our colleagues in the property and architectural press to become members.

IBP now has fourteen categories in the National Journalism Awards, has established the Regional Journalism Awards, the Magazine of the Year Awards and the business magazine Website Awards, all at the heart of IBP and endowed to recognise excellence in journalism and to encourage young journalists in our sectors.

IBP now has in excess of 400 members and, while we never achieved true international status, have nearly 600 'associate' overseas members listed on our website membership directory.

Since that first conference in 1974 IBP now has an annual summer dinner with keynote speakers and a programme of editors' forums, briefing meetings, training and debates (including regular debates in association with the All-Party Parliamentary Built Environment Group in the Houses of Parliament) on a range of industry and media issues. IBP also co-hosts occasional industry forums with other communications groups such as CAPSIG and CIMCIG.

In our forty year's we have come a long way, with the help of many editors, journalists, industry communications professionals and sponsorship partners, too numerous to list here. Nevertheless I thank them all for their support, encouragement and friendship.

Hopefully we have not done yet. The international status, that has long eluded us, is still on the agenda and we still aspire to launch the IBP International Journalist of the Year Awards – perhaps in the next forty years?

Gerald Bowey  
Chief Executive

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## FORTY YEARS OF IBP 1969 – 2009

### **Introductory Music**

Na Mara – Paul McNamara and Rob Garcia

### **Welcome and opening comments**

Denise Chevin, Editor, Building magazine  
President IBP

- Tracks Of My Tears (Smokey Robinson/Pete Moore/Marvin Tarpin, 1965)
- God Only Knows (Brian Wilson/Tony Asher, 1966)
- Waterloo Sunset (Ray Davies, 1967)

### **Looking Back – To Look Forward**

David Helsen, Helsen Corporate Communications  
Longest serving IBP member, Past Chairman 1986 – 1988

- Strawberry Fields Forever (John Lennon/Paul McCartney, 1967)
- Marrakesh Express (Graham Nash, 1969)
- Forever Young (Bob Dylan, 1974)

### **Today and in the Future**

Clair Barrett, Companies Writer, Investors Chronicle  
Multiple IBP Journalism Award Winner

- Hallelujah (Leonard Cohen, 1984)
- She's The One (Karl Wallinger, 1997)
- Bohemian Rhapsody (Freddie Mercury, 1975)

### **Round-Up**

Paul Finch, Director, World Architecture Festival  
Senior Vice President IBP, Past President 1987 – 1992

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# LIST OF OFFICERS

## Presidents

2007 –	Denise Chevin
2003 – 2007	Aaron Morby
2000 – 2003	Adrian Barrick
1998 – 2000	Peter Bill
1996 – 1998	Andrew Taylor
1992 – 1996	Peter Bill
1987 – 1992	Paul Finch
1985 – 1987	Michael Hanson
1980 – 1985	Peter Murray
1978 – 1980	Bernard Donovan
1969 – 1978	Ian Leslie

## Vice Presidents

2007 –	Aaron Morby
2005 –	Ben Roskrow
2004 –	Clive Branson
2003 –	Adrian Barrick
2000 –	Peter Bill
1992 –	Paul Finch

## Chairmen

2006 –	Alan Smith
2000 – 2006	Patrick Gulley
1996 – 2000	Paul Jowers
1995 – 1996	Andrew Taylor
1992 – 1995	Gerald Bowey
1990 – 1992	Carole Reardon
1988 – 1990	Don Westcott
1986 – 1988	David Helsen
1985 – 1986	Jeanne Brinton
1984 – 1985	Derek Hollier
1982 – 1984	Brian Daniels
1981 – 1982	Dr Sutherland Lyall
1980 – 1981	David Crawford
1977 – 1980	Peter Murray
1975 – 1977	Bernard Donovan
1974 – 1975	Leslie Black

## Vice Chairmen

2004 –	Giles Barrie
1996 – 2005	Ben Roskrow
1992 – 2004	Clive Branson
1990 – 1996	Paul Jowers
1990 – 1992	Gerald Bowey
1988 – 1990	Carole Reardon
1986 – 1988	Don Westcott
1986 – 1988	Dean Stiles (Part)
1985 – 1986	Kathy Stansfield
1984 – 1985	Jeanne Brinton
1980 – 1984	Phil Cooper
1979 – 1980	Ruth Magnus
1977 – 1978	Stephen Ashley
1976 – 1977	Peter Murray

# PAST AND PRESENT

## Treasurers

1995 –	Michael Gold
1995 –	Andrew Pring (Part)
1992 – 1994	Michael Hardware
1986 – 1992	Gerald Bowey
1985 – 1986	Dr Stephen Troubley
1983 – 1985	Mike Farish
1980 – 1983	Michael Markham
1978 – 1980	Charles Knevitt
1976 – 1978	Harry Adams
1974 – 1976	John Rowley
1970 – 1974	Arthur Watts

## Secretaries

2007 –	Will Spratt
2005 – 2007	Lucie Cox
1998 – 2005	Rhodri Harries
1997 – 1998	David Evans (Part)
1996 – 1997	Jo Garner (Part)
1993 – 1996	Penny Eglin
1992 – 1993	Una Walker
1992	Sheena Parsons (Part)
1983 – 1992	Rosey Harding
1981 – 1983	Neil Madden
1981	Jane Hinkley (Part)
1980 – 1981	Alan Pickstock
1980	Jane Hinkley (Part)
1972 – 1980	Ruth Magnus

## Awards Chairmen

1994 –	Gerald Bowey
1990 – 1993	Geoffrey Bowden
1989	Michael Markham
1983 – 1988	Don Westcott
1982	Brian Daniels
1981	Andrew Stroud
1980	Bernard Donovan
1979	David Crawford
1978	Stephen Ashley
1977	Andrew Stroud
1976	Bernard Donovan
1975	John McCarthy



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**The Press House Wine Bar**

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**All the Officers and board members, past and present  
and to you for supporting IBP and this event.**

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