



## The RGBB Newsletter

As you may have noticed the RGBB Newsletter is under new management. John Reynolds, who for a number of years has single-handedly produced edited cajoled, written and maybe even delivered in the quest to get news to the members has taken off his publisher's hat and handed it over for a well earned rest.

Anyone who has seen the wizened features of the 23 year old former editor recently will agree that it was too big a job for one man and I am in the process of forming a team to manage the task.

So far the formidable Felicity Parkhouse has stepped forward and some of our contributors have already succumbed to her unique persuasiveness and put in the time to get their pieces completed. Jim Stabler has also volunteered and will be on the editorial team for the next issue.

Fortunately John built up a team of contributors most of whom make up in knowledge, wit and style for what they may lack in punctuality. Due to John's kind efforts the majority of the regulars have agreed to carry on providing the articles that have made the RGBB NEWSLETTER such an interesting read.

I'm pleased to say that John will still be contributing "Just a thought", his wry and humorous observations based on a hundred and six years in the Kingdom. (he's not really 23!)

And we have some new contributors who, I hope you agree, have added interest and variety. Jim Stabler will contribute a regular map of places to visit around Riyadh for you four track fiends. Jane Miller is beginning a series on handling stress, Noel O'Donnell is keeping us updated on the exhibition scene and

Richard Northern is providing interesting snippets from relevant Government news back home.

But the quest for input goes on. So if you are a budding journo, give us a call There is plenty of space and it will be a great relief if the Newsletter filled itself without us ever having to lift the telephone. And if your interests lie on the organisational side we are looking for people who can help in preparation of the magazine, which, naturally, involves dealing with some of Riyadh's great and good.

What else? Perhaps I'm being optimistic but I'd like to see more articles by and for the ladies linked with the group and I'd like to run a letters page. We also invite display advertising at reasonable rates and we'll run classified ads free provided the length is reasonable. Surely there are people out there who have questions, comments or even criticisms that they'd like to address to the RGBB membership, the Embassy or one of the committees?

All you have to do is call me or Jim Stabler on one of the numbers below and let us know that you're interested.

The Newsletter is produced on Apple Macintosh but we can translate most word processing programmes. It really does help us to have diskettes and it saves an enormous amount of work if you can give us one hard copy for style and then save the document as a "text only" file. If you can bring your diskette to one of the RGBB gatherings great if not call us and we'll have it picked up.

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