

Dear Chess Friends,

You may have read some of the announcements published in the chess press or on several websites of our foundation meeting on 21st November 2003.

But the "provisional board" of "The Amsterdam-group", now the **Ken Whyld Association (KWA)**, wishes to take this opportunity, by sending this second circular, to heartily invite you to join that meeting at Brunswick and Wolfenbüttel.

Since our first meeting on 30th November 2002 and our questionnaire, you may have seen Jurgen Stigter's "progress report" on 22nd of July this year - our first circular - with its preliminary results.

Meanwhile we have been quite successful in making important progress - getting welcome support from the Klittich-Pfankuch auction house and by the work of our webmaster, Ralf Binnewirtz.

Of these progresses I want to report today:

On **23/24th August 2003** during another meeting at Amsterdam the most important articles and aims of the Association were fixed - these will be discussed during the November foundation meeting.

Four main tasks of the Association and its members were identified:

1) Strengthening contacts and co-operation among collectors of chess literature and researchers and institutions dealing in chess literature.

2) Compiling a database of a universal bibliography of chess literature starting with the electronic recording of catalogues and data-stocks.

These datasets are managed (and continuously improved) by the members of the Association.

3) Supporting of publications dealing with chess history, and support for re-editions and reprints of relevant books or papers about chess history or chess bibliography.

4) Consulting of public collections and libraries to maintain and increase their stocks of chess literature.

Jurgen Stigter has received the kind permission of the Whyld family to remember Kenneth Whyld (\*06.03.1926; +11.07.2003) by naming the Association after our late friend and supporter.

With the support of the Klittich-Pfankuch auction house, we are able to organize an interesting programme for our foundation meeting at Brunswick:

On Friday afternoon, 21st November 2003, a two hour tour (with a commentary in English and German) through the Duke August Library at Wolfenbüttel (near Brunswick) will open the meeting. After this marvellous introduction, the foundation meeting will take place, starting at 5 p.m. at the Klittich-Pfankuch auction house in Brunswick.

In the evening, during dinner, there will be plenty of time to have further enjoyable discussions in smaller groups.

The auction of chess literature will be on Saturday, November 22nd, starting at about 11 a.m. - please check the announcement of the auction house at [www.klittich-pfankuch.de](http://www.klittich-pfankuch.de).

Detailed information about the meeting on Friday will be available at the website of the Ken Whyld Association - the address will be [www.kwabc.com](http://www.kwabc.com)

- **K**en **W**hyld **A**ssociation for the **B**ibliography of **C**hess.

Since we still need some testing of the functioning of our website, we ask for your patience should it not prove possible to open all the pages at the moment. The planned integration of the "bibliographical database" especially, is still to be technically fixed - we will inform you about this at Brunswick and also ask for people who want to be added to our team of experts.

Until the end of October 2003 there are some hotel-reservations still available at Brunswick - so there is a need to book during the next few weeks. Please tell our Brunswick friends if you

want to have accommodation.

My closing remarks are in memory of our late friend and consultant Horst Lüders (\*13.02.1927; +21.09.2003), the driving force behind the "Kieler Chess catalogue". At the moment Ralf Binnewirtz is working on a special page for our web site, dedicated to Horst and his life-time's work.

With kind regards on behalf of "The Amsterdam-group"  
Michael Negele

PS: Thank you, dear Tony Gillam for your kind help compiling this text !