



HISTORICAL FACT SHEET

- 1906** Construction begins on the Lötschberg tunnel. When completed the 14 km tunnel will extend direct rail service between the Bernese Oberland, Wallis and Italy. Numerous buildings are constructed near the mouth of the tunnel.
- 1907** Lord Robert Baden-Powell experiments with his Scouting for boys scheme at Brownsea Island, England.
- 1908** A chalet is built near the banks of the river Kander. The building is managed by an alcohol-free society called “La Temperanza” and serves as inexpensive accommodation for the Italian workers and their families. The large hall is used as a classroom for the children and as a night school for the adults.
- 1913** Opening of the new Lötschberg tunnel. The workers depart and the buildings are abandoned.
- The Swiss Scout Association is officially established (13. October).
- 1920** 1st World Jamboree, Olympia, England with 8'000 scouts from 27 countries. 1st International Conference and formation of the International Bureau (July/August).
- BP announces his dream of creating a Permanent Mini Jamboree at the end of the 1st World Jamboree.
- 1922** The Chief Scout of Switzerland, Walther von Bonstetten, proposes the creation of an International Home for Scouts at Kandersteg after BP visited Kandersteg and decided to realise his dream in Kandersteg.
- 1923** Formation of the “Scouts International Home” Association (Home Association) at the Hotel Schweizerhof in Bern. Bonstetten is chosen as the first President (12 February).
- The Home Association purchases a chalet, inclusive 4'673 m2 land, along the banks of the river Kander for 15'100.– Swiss Francs (12 April).
- English and Dutch Scouts are first to visit the Scouts International Home in Kandersteg (August).
- 1924** Inaugural meeting of the Scouts Alpine Club (SAC) during the 3rd International Scout Conference at Copenhagen, Denmark (28 August).
- The Director of the International Bureau, Hubert S. Martin, is elected President of the SAC with Walther von Bonstetten as vice-President.

- 1925** The Scouts Alpine Club assumes management of the Scout Home from the Operating Commission of the Home Association (September).
- 1926** 4th International Scout Conference meets in Kandersteg at the Hotel Victoria (22-28 August).
- 1926** As an exception to the rule the 50th Gilwell Course attended by 40 Scouters from 13 countries is moved to the International Home (30 August-7 September). J.S. Wilson is in charge of the course and will become later the Director of the International Bureau and vice-President of SAC.
- 1927** Dutch Scouts decorate a room in the Chalet, thus fashioning the first of the "National Rooms" (January). In the following months a Hungarian Room is created as well as two rooms decorated by the Swiss Scout groups, Rheinbund (Basel) and Schwyzerstärn (Bern).
- 1928** Two kitchens are built on the south side of the Chalet on the remaining foundations of a small house. One large and one small kitchen already exist in the basement of the Chalet.
- 1929** The Home Association purchases the present Rover campground (20'704 m²) for 1'035.20 Swiss Francs from the Bern-Lötschberg-Simplon railway (BLS).

The SAC purchases from the BLS also two tracts of land with stone deposits from the tunnel, one tract of 112'758 m² for 5'537.90 Swiss Franc and one tract of 2'156 m² for 646.80 Swiss Franc, that today form the main campground. Both acquisitions are made possible by a generous donation from Mortimer Schiff, the International Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America (9 October).

- 1930** The International (World) Committee meets in Kandersteg on 28-29 July. Baden-Powell attends the meeting, visits the Chalet and inspects the new campground.

Swiss Rovers begin preparing the new campground for the upcoming Rover Moot. Trees are planted on both sides of the land leading from the entrance of the new campground toward its interior.

- 1931** The BLS railway sells the SAC a small plot of land of 2'210 m² for 3'000 Swiss Franc (the present park place) near the entrance to the campground (January).

A long water supply system, two fountains and a series of footpaths are completed. The two cement fountains are given the name "B.-P. Circus" and become the focal point of the campground with 6 paths forming arteries to the individual campsites.

Opening of the 1st World Rover Moot (29 July-8 August). 2'500 Rovers from 32 countries and Lord Baden Powell attend. While inspecting the camping area BP used a hill on the campsite to have a good view of both the campsite and the Centre. This hill became the official name 'BP's Hill'.

The Polish contingent decorates a room in the Chalet with furniture in the "Polish peasant style" and the room assumes a reputation as "the finest room we have in the Chalet."

The Rumanian contingent places a memorial cross of oak among a stand of firs on a ridge near the entrance to the campground.

1932 B.-P. Visits Switzerland for the official opening of “Our Chalet” in Adelboden (an International Home for Girls Guides) and to attend the National Camp of Swiss Scouts in Geneva. Afterwards, on 6 August, the Chief Scout and his family visit the International Scout Home and enjoy a picnic at the “Mice Tower.”

An organised work party completely renovates the sanitary facilities in the Chalet. Each participant pays 1 Swiss Franc per day for food.

1933 A special building constructed on the north side of the Chalet near the dining hall now houses four fully-equipped, independent kitchens with wood-burning stoves.

1934 The International (World) Committee meets at Hotel Schweizerhof, Kandersteg. The Committee grants 2'000.- Swiss Francs toward the purchase of a plot of land adjacent to the Chalet (19-20 June).

The new British Room is completed and ready for summer season.

A piece of land (1'980 m² for 9'370 Swiss Franc) lying between the Chalet and the Cheesemilk Bridge is purchased by the Home Association and places the approach road leading from the bridge to the Chalet within the boundaries of the Home. A shed needs to be moved and the road is fully renovated (18 September).

The SAC organises its first Climbing Course and Touring Week (30. September to 7. October). This is the start of a yearly tradition until 1938 and which continuous after WW2.

1935 The SAC announces a total membership of 132 Scouts and Scouters (October).

1936 The Swiss Scout Federation (SPB) chooses the “Mice Tower” as the site for its future Gilwell Training Courses. The SAC grants the SPB use of the Tower and adjacent grounds for a period of 50 years. In turn, the SPB expands the Tower creating a large common room with a fireplace, an office, a kitchen and a materials room. The new Tower facilities are made available to the SAC in the absence of Training Courses.

1937 To date, 10'000 alder trees have been planted on the campground initiated by chief-forester André Lombard.

Walther von Bonstetten receives the “Bronze Wolf” Award for “founding and supervising the Chalet in Kandersteg.”

1938 1'000 evergreens are planted on the campground.

1939 3'000 maples are planted on the campground.

1940 201 French soldiers are interned at the Scout Chalet (summer). During the days the soldiers move earth to cover stones and form new campsites on the campground.

The Chalet, Tower and grounds are occupied off and on for the duration of the war.

1946 1st General Assembly of the SAC and the Home Association since the outbreak of the war. Ernst Trachsel is elected the new President of the SAC. People who were involved in 1923 such as Franz Moser and Harald Widmer are present.

Urgent repairs on the Chalet begin.

The new Belgian room becomes the first National room in the Chalet to have plank beds rather than straw mattresses.

1947 The SAC presents an area of 4'372 m² (the land surrounding the Tower) to the Swiss Scout Federation as a gift (20 August).

1948 Bonstetten resigns as President of the Home Association. Jean Salvaj succeeds him (May).

1st International Commissioner's Get-Together is held in Kandersteg with 24 Commissioners in attendance from 20 different countries (31 July).

1949 Walther de Bonstetten passes away after a long illness (4 November).

1950 A new granite fountain is completed at the Tower. The huge piece of granite comes from the Blausee quarry.

During the "Holy Year" 1'328 British Scouts returning from a Pilgrimage to Rome pitch their tents on the campground and spend 10 days in Kandersteg (August).

Over 22'000 Overnights were registered.

1951 Jean Salvaj resigns as President of the Home Association. Arthur Thalman, Chief Scout of Switzerland, succeeds him (April).

1952 The Chalet now boasts a new French room, an Italian room and a Nordic room (a joint effort by Scouts from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden). The Belgian and Dutch Rooms are redecorated.

For 2 weeks 165 Swiss Scouts and 10 Rovers remove earth and lay 700 meters of water pipeline on the campground in preparation for the 1953 Rover Moot.

1953 Dedication ceremony of the Bonstetten Memorial (17 May).

4168 Rovers from 22 countries attend the 5th World Rover Moot (29. July to 8. August)

A new Roman Catholic Chapel is completed on the SPB campground north of the Tower (spring)

During the 5th World Rover Moot, 29 July – 8 August, 4'168 Rovers from 22 countries take part.

A Protestant meditation area is created at the southern end of the main campground near the Tower.

Scouts of the Ticino (Switzerland) unveil the granite "Trevano Fountain" on the SAC campground in commemoration of the 1948 Swiss National Camp at Trevano.

Ernst Trachsel steps down as President of the SAC. Hans Sterchi succeeds him (August). Chief volunteers such as Hans-Beat Gamper, Max Schneider and Werner Thomet are continuing their important work.

1954 The Chalet is officially open for the first time to receive guests over Easter.

A new kitchen building is completed. Located near the entrance to the Chalet, the building houses 6 new electric kitchens (September).

1955 The new Rover campground opens. During the previous summer, "Trutz House" (in commemoration of the services rendered by Manfred von Wattenwyl / Trutz), the "Snow Star Fountain" and two additional fountains were constructed with surplus funds from the 1953 Rover Moot. The General Assembly of the SAC presents 9'465 m² of ground to the SPB. The gift includes the land from the Tower to the wall of the Roman Catholic Chapel, and a small piece of land on the opposite side of the road which leads to the Tower.

1956 The Patria room (a room sponsored by a Scout group from Bern) and the newly-renovated Dutch room are opened with separate ceremonies (June).

The SAC opens the Chalet for a winter season on a small experimental basis.

The architect Hans Klein is elected into the Committee and is responsible for all the infrastructure.

1957 Through the persuasive efforts of Chief Forester André Lombard, the Home Association buys a 29'152 m² area of forest (Hegeldeponie, "Hegel" is the scout name of André Lombard) downstream from the Chalet at the bend of the river opposite the Rover campground (4 June).

Canada and Australia are the first "overseas" countries to sponsor rooms in the Chalet. The renovated Schwyzerstärn room is dedicated (summer).

1958 Dedication of the renovated British Room and approach corridor. The British also fund the creation of a new office at the entrance to the Chalet (the former Polish Room).

The 2nd European Conference of International Rover Commissioners meets in Kandersteg (19-21 September).

1959 First International Ski Course takes place (29 March-4 April).

A Micro-Moot takes place for three weeks on the Rover Campground. These "mini" Rover Moots are organised by the Swiss Rover Commissioner for the next ten years as a voluntary programme for individuals or groups of visiting Rovers.

Scouts from South Cameroon donate some traditional items for the creation of a "Southern Cameroon Room".

A "Latin American Room" is established.

1960 Dedication of the USA Room in the Chalet and of the Uncle Sam's Hut on the campground – two gifts from the "Transatlantic Council" of the Boy Scouts of America.

1963 Over 30'000 overnights were registered.

1964 A new toilet building is completed on the campground north of Uncle Sam's Hut (April).

The World Scout Friendship Fountain is completed. Located directly in front of the Chalet, the fountain is soon named in honour of Jean Salvaj, a former member of the SAC, President of the Home Association and International Commissioner of the SPB.

1965 The SAC merges into the Scouts International Home Association (1 January). A change in the statutes results in a new name: International Scout Home Association in Kandersteg – Scout Alpine Clup (SIHA-SAC). Arthur Thalman resigns as President of the Home Association and Hansrudolf Sterchi becomes President of the new SIHA-SAC.

After 20 years both André Lombard (responsible for the Grounds) and Hans Beat Camper (Camp Director) step back from their posts and Alfred Burren is appointed as new Camp Director

1966 50th Climbing Course and Touring Week.

1968 Hansrudolf Sterchi resigns as President of the SIHA-SAC and is replaced by Walter Zoss (June).

The European Scout Conference meets in Kandersteg (November).

1970 The SPB decides not to use the Tower and grounds as its Training Centre any longer. The SPB agrees to allow the SIHA-SAC to use these facilities.

A German Room is created on the top floor of the Chalet.

Over 33'000 overnights were registered.

1971 A new Plan for accommodation at the Tower calls for the construction of five heated sleeping rooms with a total capacity of 40 beds. The building is built by the SPB (April).

1972 For 90'000 Swiss Franc a canalisation system is put in from the entrance of the campground to the Tower.

The Chalet gets its first oil heating system.

1973 A tripartite "Agreement on the Management and Development of the Scout Centre, Kandersteg, Switzerland," is signed by representatives of the SPB, the SIHA-SAC and the European Region of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (14 May).

The General Assembly of the SIHA-SAC changes the name of the Association to: Scout Centre Kandersteg (Switzerland).

During the summer a special JUBIKA 73 programme is organised to celebrate the International Home's 50th anniversary.

Kurt Metz, Bern, is chosen as the first full-time professional Camp Director of Scout Centre Kandersteg. The appointment of a Camp Director is made possible by a substantial donation of Colonel Kenneth Macintosh (via the United States Foundation for International Scouting - USFIS)

- 1974** Colonel Kenneth Macintosh visits the Centre with a USFIS delegation (20 September)

A new toilet block with showers on the campground was dedicated. Fred Tschantré and Christian Kaufmann were accountable for the building and fundraising (CHF 132'000.-) for this project.

- 1976** Walter Zoss steps back as the President of the Association. His successor is Pierre Bodineau, from Dijon (France).

- 1977** An Assistant Camp Director (Administration) is hired to assist with the increasing administration of the Centre.

An European Seminar takes place at the Centre with the aim to look at the different age categories in Scouting.

Another name change: Scout Centre Kandersteg becomes Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC).

On the north side of the Chalet a new Programme Office is built for 30'000 Swiss Franc.

- 1978** KISC rents a hut located at 1900 meters in the Ueschinen Valley for use as a base for an expanded High Adventure and climbing programme (spring).

The existing Staff Room (Patria room) has proven to be too small during past summer seasons. As a result the adjacent Schwyzerstärn room is converted into a Staff Dining Room (spring).

In the Chalet the sanitary facilities are fully renovated (247'000 Swiss Francs).

Michael Mürwald, a student from Klosterneuburg, Austria, begins a 3-year contract as Camp Director (November).

- 1979** 20 members of the USFIS visit the Centre (29. April).

1'700 Scouts, Scouters and Staff from 42 nations attend KRISTALL '79 – a special international camp to replace the cancelled World Jamboree in Iran, organised by the European Scout Region (22-31 July).

- 1980** An automatic fire alarm was installed in the Chalet for CHF 30'000.-

Over 47'000 overnights were registered.

- 1981** Robert Agg, a language student from England, begins work as Camp Director (November).

The roof of the Chalet is completely redone including insulation for CHF 126'000.

A new bridge is built over the Kander to secure the access to the Chalet.

1982 New car parks were built by the Chalet and the entrance to the Campground.

1983 KISC celebrates its 60th anniversary.

Work on the new Arab Suite is completed. The Italian Room is renovated.

In October the first European Scout Conferences for National Training Commissioners took place at the Centre.

1984 Marc Lombard, Berne, begins work as the new Camp Director (March).

A second toilet block was built for CHF 160'000.- on the campground.

On the campground and on the Rover campground begins a massive tree cutting programme to stop the progress of forestation.

The SPB spends CHF 70'000.- to build a new canalisation between B.P.'s - Circus and the Tower. A work party from the Swiss army takes over the levelling work to create ca. 20'000 2m of new camping sites. At the same time new water pipes (570 m) and electric cable pipes (880 m) are laid in the ground.

The European International Commissioners Forum takes place at the Centre (September).

The Centre owns in total 159'691 m² of property of which 29'152 m² is forest. The Centre can also use the Tower estate from the SPB (13'837 m²).

1985 The inside of the Chalet saw major renovations. The Camp Director's office increased. Due to the support of their National Scout Associations the Canadian and the Australian rooms were renovated.

A revised version of the Tripartite Agreement was signed by the KISC, WOSM and the SPB.

The staff and guest work continually on the campground, felling trees and creating new camping sites.

1986 Due to the support of the Arab Scout Region, the Arabian Suite could be renovated and opened.

After ten years Pierre Bondineau steps back as the Association President and Nicos Kalogeras, Greece, replaces him.

Three fully renovated kitchens (costs CHF 130'000) become operational.

The "Schwarzbach" a small river that flowed under the Chalet since the beginning is redirected directly into the Kander. The costs of CHF 100'000 are covered by a donation of the "Bern Lottery-Fund".

With 8'869 guests and more than 48'000 overnights record figures are registered.

1987 A work party from the Luxemburg scouts builds new tables in the front of the Guest Kitchens. At the same time new dish washing facilities are built on the campsite.

1988 During the World Scout Conference in Melbourne it is decided, that the 9th World Moot 1992 organised by the Swiss Scout Movement will take place at KISC.

1988 A work party from the Luxembourg scouts renovate the “Nordic Room”.

Due to a generous donation and massive support from the BSA the “American Room” is renovated in 30 days!!

1989 Work parties from Luxembourg, Durham, Holland and Paris visit the Centre and assist with lots of work. Amongst others the big notice boards at the entries of the camp grounds were build and erected and new water taps were installed on the campsites.

Jacques Moreillon, Secretary General WOSM visits the Centre to take part in the Swiss National Day celebration (August 1st).

1990 The Centre receives a donation in the form of two WANG computers and starts working for the first time with computers.

Due to a donation of the Korean Scout Association the work party of the Luxembourg scouts creates the new “Korean Room”.

The British Room is official opened by Garth Morrison, Chief Scout - The Scout Association (spring).

1991 For the official opening of the “Lötschberg-Hus”, the new bunk house at the Tower, 30 guests are invited (20th April).

Thanks to a donation from the BSA, the Uncle Sam’s-hut is renovated. A new shop and a bedroom for the Campsite Manager are created.

The project “7’000 pavement slabs for KISC” is kicked-off. With the donations the area in front of the Guest Kitchens is paved.

Arthur Bihl, President Swiss “Old Scout” Association, creates an exposition about the history of the Centre and its connection to the village of Kandersteg. This exposition can be visited in the village museum.

A record of 59’000 overnights is registered.

1992 The 9th World Moot takes place in Kandersteg (27th July – 6th August) with nearly 2’000 participants from 52 countries.

Marc Lombard leaves the Centre to start as Secretary General of the Swiss Scout Movement. Aidan Jones, England, takes over as Director of the Centre (November).

1993 The Centre celebrate its 70th birthday with a little party on the Campsite. Historical documents are placed in a time capsule on BP’s – hill.

1994 The new “Irish Room” is officially opened a representative of the Irish Scout Federation (12 March).

At the General Assembly (May) the decision of the KISC Committee is approved to assign all the property to the new founded Kandersteg International Scout Centre Foundation. The Foundation becomes the owner of all property and takes over all responsibility for debts, maintenance and the raising of money for future projects. The Association is responsible for the operation of the Centre. Daniel Jakob was elected as the first Chairman of the KISC Foundation

The “Werkhof” is built on the campsite and used for storing equipment, vehicles and camping materials.

1995 The barrack (Programme Office) next to the Chalet is moved to the entrance of the main campsite and changed into a shop and workshop.

The work for the extension of the Chalet begins in the spring. Because of the building work the “Main Hall” in the Old Chalet needs to be renovated.

1996 The chalet extension is official opened on June 1st. It is one of the biggest expansions since the start of the Centre in 1923. The cost for this extension is SFr. 3.5 Mio and was made possible by the Fund for European Scouting (FES) and the Lottery Fund of the Canton of Bern 150 guests from all over the world take part in the opening.

The new Dutch room is also official opened June 1st. All the international guests, members from the Dutch Scout Association and members of the Dutch work party are present.

The World Scout Committee meets again at KISC (November).

Aiden Jones steps back after 4 years as Director and John Moffat, England, takes over (end of November).

1997 The Finish sauna from the 1995 World Scout Jamboree is rebuilt on the campsite with the help of a Finnish work party and members of staff.

The Director’s office is renovated in autumn and in the Old Chalet a “Polish Room” and a “Hellenic Room” are created.

At the same time the work start for new rooms on the 1st floor of the New Chalet.

1998 The 75th birthday of the Centre is celebrated.

Lots of big activities and events take place during the year. At the February 12th a jubilee evening is organised to celebrate the day, on which 75 years ago the first Statutes were signed. A special badge is available during the summer.

In May the new Staff bedrooms were opened on the 1st floor of the New Chalet. The old staff bedrooms were changed to guest bedrooms.

Daniel Jakob steps down as Chairman of the KISC Foundation and Walter Hofstetter takes over (June)

1999 The Centre was evacuated for 3 days at the beginning of the year due to huge amounts of snow and an avalanche alarm. The bad weather stays on during the year resulting in flooding in May and the autumn.

2000 The KISC Association Committee accepts a Strategy Plan for the further development of the Centre till 2007 securing constant modernisation of all equipment and facilities at the Centre.

A new solar heating system is installed on the roof of the Sauna with the help of different Swiss organisations and donations of members.

2001 Due to the support of the BSA a new “Africa Room” and “Eurasia Room” are realised replacing the old “Turkish Room” and “Winter Room”. Work starts to finish the New Chalet.

After a very successful year several investments were possible in all areas of the Centre. Thanks to the supports of the members, two kitchens are renovated and the roof of the Guest Kitchens is replaced.

2002 Members do support the “Flag project” (Chairman’s Challenge 2002) and as a result it is easy to see how many and which countries visited the Centre that year and years to come. A couple of projects were made possible due to generous donations received during the first “Supporter-weekend” in January. During the World Scout Conference in Greece the Centre is present with an exhibition and a presentation in the plenary meeting.

During the General Assembly in June, Nicos Kalogeras steps down as Chairman of the KISC Association after 16 years and is unanimously elected as Honorary Member. Thijs Stoffer, Netherlands, takes over.

Walter Hofstetter steps down as Chairman of the KISC Foundation and Marc Lombard takes over (June).

The work on the 2nd floor of the New Chalet starts in the autumn creating a new Staffroom (with 3 bedrooms) and the “Europe” and “World” meeting. The project is made possible due to the generous support of the European Scout Region (Fund for European Scouting).

The “Belgian Room” is changed into a new “Temperance Room”. This room is sponsored by the Swedish Temperance Scout & Guide Association re-establishing the lost connection with the original founding organisation of the Chalet.

At the same time, the “Leaders Room” in the actual tower of the Tower is renovated including the former drying room creating a lounge room and a new bedroom with 9 instead of 6 beds.

John Moffat steps down, after 6 years, as Director and Miriam Herzberg, Netherlands, takes over.

2003 The “Spring Room” and “Summer Room” are renovated and changed into the “Romanian Room” (with the help of the Lions Club Frutigland) and the “Taiwan Room” (sponsored by the Scouts of China).

The open staircase in the Old Chalet is closed following new fire security regulations.

The Director's Office moves into the old laundry and the Programme Office is renovated. An internet room and a 1st Aid room are created.

As a result of the 2nd Chairman's Challenge the old "Terrace Room" is renovated and changed into the "Members Room".

2004 At the 18th European Scout Conference and the 11th European Guide & Scout Conference in Reykjavik the Centre presents itself and recruits many new members.

2005 After nearly 20 years the German room is renovated with the support of the German Scout Federation.

The "Next Generation Chalet" project is launched. This project contains 23 sub-projects to improve facilities at the Centre (such as, a new sports field, covered fire places on the campsite, new bathroom facilities in the Old Chalet) and runs until mid 2009. The project will cost SFr. 2.5 Mio and is partly financed by the Lottery Fund of the Canton Bern (SFr. 1.0 Mio over 5 years) and via donations and fundraising.

Thanks to the 3rd "Chairman's Challenge" and the generous support of the Burgergemeinde Bern (SFr. 10'000 donated) it is possible to build a new big shelter on the campsite.

Due to massive rain the village floods in late August. Staff and guest help the local people with evacuations and emptying basements.

2005 Miriam Herzberg steps down as Director after 3 years and Mark Knippenberg, Netherlands, replaces her (November).

The negotiations for a new Tripartite Agreement between KISC, WOSM and the Mouvement Scout de Suisse starts (December).

2006 The "Next Generation Chalet" project is gaining speed resulting in the renovation of the last two Guest Kitchens, the old toilet building on the campsite, the replacement of the old terrace construction in front of the Old Chalet, the erection of a roof covering the terrace in front of the Guest Kitchens, the renovation of 2 campsites and the realisation of the new bathroom facilities in the Old Chalet. In total SFr. 1'054'000 is spent.

Two more rooms are renovated. The "Latin American Room" changed into the "Japanese Room" and the "Italian Room" is fully renovated. Both with the full support of their National Scout Associations.

Preparations start for the celebrating of the Centennial of Scouting and the KanderJam 2007.

The General Assembly takes place including elections for the Committee and Walter Hofstetter is elected unanimously as Honorary Member of the KISC Association.

More than 62'000 overnights are registered.

2007 The negotiations for a new Tripartite Agreement (KISC, WOSM, MSdS) are successfully ended and the agreement is signed during the KISC Reception at the European Scout Conference in Slovenia.

The old British Room is fully renovated in Spring and is renamed the UK-Room. The renovation is sponsored by The Scout Association and its members.

The KanderJam, "The Alpine link to the World Scout Jamboree", takes place parallel to the WSJ and welcomes 1'800 guests and 150 Staff from 40 different countries. Scouting's Sunrise (the celebration of the 100th birthday of Scouting) takes place at Oeschinensee at 09.00 local time.

As part of the "Next Generation Chalet" project a new sports field and a beach Volleyball field are created as well as the full renovation of the Uncle Sam's toilet block, the Campfire Circle (made possible by the BSA World Friendship Fund), the creation of a new camping site, the renovation of 2 existing camping sites and the installation of new fire escape stairs at the back of the Old Chalet including disabled access to the 1st floor of the building. Total investment for 2007 is SFr 550'000.-