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IASI Newsletter, Number 22, April 2002

Report from the IASI Annual Meeting, Barcelona, Spain, March 14-18, 2002



IASI ExCo & Members in Barcelona After Enjoying a Delicious Banquet Dinner
Photo by Maria Lluisa Berasategui

At the kind invitation of Ms Glòria Pallé i Torres, Directora del Consell Català de l'Esport (Catalan Council of Sport of the Autonomous Government of Catalonia) and Maria Lluisa Berasategui, Head of the Sports Library, the IASI ExCo and members gathered together on March 14-18, 2002, for their annual meeting and seminar. On the first evening, members were invited to the Museu de l'Esport Dr. Melcoir Colet, for the welcoming address by Secretary General of Sport, Mr. Josep Maldonado i Gili.

On Friday, March 15, the Seminar for Catalonia's librarians, information professionals and IASI members was held (for seminar details see separate section below). After the seminar in late afternoon time was set aside for ahWG and regional meetings. That evening the official banquet, hosted by Ms Pallé i Torres, was held at a beautiful Barcelona restaurant. Many local delicacies (tapas) and the robust regional wine were enjoyed by all.

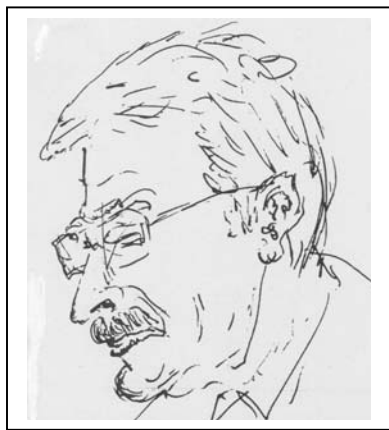
By Saturday, IASI President Alain Poncet called the first session of the meeting to order. Reports were heard from the President and Managerial Unit along with consideration of the association's financial affairs. The Vice-Presidents and the regional networks also reported on the year's activities. In the afternoon, the Open Forum, adeptly chaired by David Coleman, was held and resulted in 6 proposals to the ExCo.

Sunday had a very full agenda with the various reports from the Ad Hoc Working Groups, followed by news of IASI's work with our allied organizations, the IOC, ICSSPE, ENSSEE and the Pan-European Sports Information Service (see article below on this PESIS initiative). The meeting's agenda was concluded with a preliminary report on the plans for the IASI World Congress in Beijing. Ma Tie, VP for Asia, proposed that the Congress, IASI annual meeting and a workshop be held in the May 10-20, 2005 time period. He presented information on the

facilities, suggested a time line for notice releases and publishing of proceedings, registration information and services to congress participants. IASI President, Alain Poncet appointed the Program Committee chair, Ms. Cindy Slater, ExCo member from the US. The Program Committee Vice-Chair is Wang Huanfu from Beijing. Time was set aside late Monday afternoon for the Program Committee to hold its initial meeting. After much discussion assembled Program Committee members and hosts decided upon the theme of the IASI World Congress,

The Value of Sport Information: Toward Beijing 2008.

Five section themes were also approved. They are:



- Information Services for Olympic Games and International Competitions
- Sport Archives & Digitalization
- Sport Statistics; Standards & Services
- Future Needs in Sport Information
- Sport Information for Elite Athlete Development

On the left is a sketch by David Coleman of our intrepid leader, IASI President, Alain Poncet, conducting his first IASI meeting

On Monday IASI members were taken on tours of important sport facilities and museums. The first stop was the Galeria Olímpica / The Olympic Gallery located in a section of the Olympic Stadium. IASI members had a chance to view the artefacts, costumes from the Opening Ceremonies and memorabilia from the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona. The second stop was the Institut Nacional d'Educació Física de Catalunya / National Institute of Physical Education (INEFC) in Barcelona where members had a tour of the impressive facilities and the library. Travelling outside the city to Sant Cugat del Vallès, the tour took members to Le Centre d'Alt Rendiment (CAR) the important sport research and training center for elite athletes.

On behalf of all IASI members we thank our hosts for all their hard work in organizing a memorable annual meeting.

Seminar: the Impact of Internet on Sports Information, March 15, 2002

The Seminar focused on the highlights and some of the problems of access to sport information on the internet. The first speaker Mr. Santiago Orós reviewed the problems of copyright protection for documents and other intellectual property. He was followed by Ms Núria Gallart, UAB, who spoke on the balance between the rights of users and the creators of information. Ms Lluïsa Nuñez, outlined how the Barcelona University Library handled access to electronic journals. The final paper in the morning session by Jordi Serrano, UOC, presented methods for training users in how to use the virtual library effectively.

In the afternoon, Maria Lluïsa Berasategui and Josep M Rodriguez, outlined the digitizing work of the Sport Library where four sport history journals, *Los Deportes*, *Stadium*, *Xut!* and *Sport Català*, are now available online to internal users. The final session was a round table moderated

by Erika Schwarz and consisted of brief presentations on current Internet and sport information topics. Speakers included IASI administrators Alain Poncet, Ayala Maharik, Gretchen Ghent, Jill Haynes, José Aquesolo.

Feature

New Sport Information Centres Established in Vietnam and Cambodia

Through the Australia-Asian Sport Linkages Program funded by the Australian Government, two new sport information centres were established in Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam and Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Lesley Cioccarelli, Sport information Centre Consultant was the Australian government representative who went to South East Asian during July and September 2001 to provide expertise in the establishment of these centres. Both countries also received donations of books from Human Kinetics Publishers through the IASI assistance program to developing countries and additional donations of books and videotapes from the Australian Sports Commission. Lesley's edited report, forwarded to your editor by Jill Haynes, is reported here:

Vietnam

The National Sports University II and the National Training Centre II, located in Ho Chi Minh City serves the dual roles of a university of sport and a training facility for elite athletes. The Australia-Asia Sport Linkages program has been active in Vietnam for four years, and the co-ordinator of the program, Mark Warmington, recognized that there was a need for an information centre to support the work of the coaches, sport scientists and university teachers. The University has a library for students and there are hopes that in the future this may be amalgamated with the Sport Information Centre in the new purpose-built building.

Over a 5 week period Lesley worked with the sports science staff of the University to determine the requirements for a sport information centre, evaluate library management software, the preliminary design of an intranet website for sport information and an Internet website for the University. Recommendations were made to establish links with sport information organisations such as IASI, A.S.I.A., and other sport information centres in the region. Australia's National Sport Information Centre has offered some of their services at a reduced cost. Basic training was provided in the management of an information centre, searching the Internet and Web-based databases for sport information, and collection development and organization.

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Cambodia

In the Kingdom of Cambodia Lesley worked with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports. The intention is to establish a Sport Information Centre to provide services to the Ministry, which include the Department of Physical Education & Sport, the National Institute of Physical Education and Sport and the Olympic Committee of Cambodia, the national sport federations, national coaches and athletes. The National Institute produces an excellent monthly Sports

Magazine in the Khmer language. Each issue contains local sport news and information as well as translated articles from other sources. It is distributed widely within these organizations.

Most of the work in the 2 week period focused on training Ministry staff in the use of the Internet, searching for sport information, how to use email and other Internet services. Another focus of the work included designing and developing a Sports section on the Ministry of Education' website (<http://www.moeys.gov.kh/>). It is hoped that the new Sport Information Centre will become a cooperative venture of the Ministry and the Cambodian Olympic Committee and will be located near the offices of the Sport Magazine for the staff are skilled in finding and using sport information and also possess foreign language skills.

Mr. Meas Serey of the National Olympic Committee of Cambodia attended the IASI World Congress in Lausanne and has joined IASI.

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News Bytes

Pan-European Sports Information Service (PESIS)

IASI President Alain Poncet, at the Seminar, outlined the plans for the Pan-European Sports Information Service (PESIS). It is proposed that this sports information service become the online gateway or portal to European sport information. A Task Force has been established that will work on making a proposal to the European Union. Task Force members include L. Bollaert, R. Claude, C. Igel, A. Madella, A. Poncet, Meyer & Meyer Gruppe, and Eifel Sport & Tourismus GmbH. The proposal will outline the legal framework, the cooperative arrangement among private and governmental entities, the administration of the PESIS affairs, and the financial plan and budget. The objectives of PESIS are to identify and collect data into one database, develop methodology and online communication channels for the data on sport participation, policies, sport structures, education and coaching.

CPLP-Sport (Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa – Sport / Portuguese Speaking Countries Community – Sport)

Mr. João Paulo Rocha, from the Centre for Sport Studies and Training (CEFD) in Lisbon, Portugal, reported to the IASI Annual Meeting in Barcelona, that CPLP Sport, the network for the Portuguese-speaking sport information community has recently been launched. At present the CPLP Sport website is “Under Construction” at <http://www.cplpsport.org/>. Mr. Rocha mentioned that the website is being tested at the moment and will be online very soon. The network will include countries of Angola, Mozambique, São Tomé e Príncipe (two islands off the west coast of Africa), Guinea Bissau (west coast Africa), Republic of Cape Verde (Cabo Verde Islands, west coast Africa), Brazil and Macao. In his report, Mr. Rocha pointed out that in 2001 four technical missions were organized to Angola, Cabo Verde, Mozambique and São Tomé e

Principe where computer equipment was installed. The delegation also gave training sessions the use of the software and other online applications.

SPORHist Listserv Transferred

<http://listserv.umist.ac.uk/archives/sporthist.html>

The SportHist listserv, more formally known as ISHPES – Sport History Scholars List, which for seven years was hosted Michael Salter at the University of Western Ontario, was transferred on March 1, 2002 to the care of Richard Cox, at the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology. Dr. Cox also maintains a sport history listserv at <http://www.umist.ac.uk/sport/index2.html>

This listserv is open to all interested sport history scholars. For archived messages and how to become a listserv member, see the website above.

Web & Online Happenings

World Directory of Sport Information Centres and Experts (WDSICE) Launched

<http://www.directory-iasi.org/>

At the IASI Annual Meeting in Barcelona, Pres. Alain Poncet gave a brief demonstration of the newly created World Directory. This project is a result of collaboration between the International Olympic Committee's Michel Filliau (Manager of NOC Administrative Dept), Nuria Puig, Head of External Relations and Mr. Poncet. The World Directory resides on the IOC Intranet.

At present the WDSICE has 83 sport information centres listed. The search engine provides flexible searching by continent, country or name of centre. Each listing has contact information with details of the subjects contained in each library following the main listing. Another feature of this directory is the capacity for each centre to update parts of the listing whenever it is necessary. These updates are sent to Mr. Poncet's email address for oversight of the system. Any sport information centre may submit the details of a centre by clicking on the Add button and following the instructions.

BMJ Journals

<http://www.bmjournals.com/subscriptions/countries.shtml>

The British Medical Journal group is offering free access to the fulltext of its journals to those countries defined by the World Bank as "Low Income Economies". This includes access to the *British Journal of Sports Medicine* among other medical periodical titles. On this subscription information page there is a list of countries. Some of the countries included are: Cambodia, Georgia, Indonesia, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, India, Kenya, Pakistan, Vietnam, Ukraine among many others.

Korea Sports Science Institute (KSSI) Website

<http://www.sports.re.kr/english/>

The newly found Institute's website has an English section that explains its research and education programs and the information services of the Library. From this main page click on Information Service to go to the KSSI Library section. This Library has over 10,000 scientific publications, has subscriptions to 200 international and domestic periodical titles and about 7,000 microfiche from the University of Oregon. International Institute for Sport & Human

Performance, Microform Publications of Human Movement Studies. Also described are the Library's document delivery services and other lending and copying services. For more information, please contact: Tel: 02-970-9524 or email: lib@sports.re.kr.

IAKS Website

<http://www.iaks.info/>

Representatives at the International Association for Sports and Leisure Facilities (IAKS), whose website was formerly part of the defunct WorldSport website, report that they are about to launch their own website in mid-April. IAKS is concerned with the design and architecture of sport and leisure facilities and publishes a journal called Sportsattenbau und Baderanlagen.

Sydney Olympic Games: Archived Websites and Publications

In various postings to IASI-L, Greg Blood, Client Services Librarian at Australia's National Sport Information and Berta Cerezuela from the Olympic Studies Centre (UAB) have kept IASI-L participants informed of the archiving and online publishing activity of the Australian National Library and other post Olympic organizations. To recap, see the following websites:

GamesINFO,

<http://www.gamesinfo.com.au/>

GamesINFO's front end, is accessible in many languages including Chinese, Spanish, French, German, Italian and many other non-European languages.

Official Website: <http://pandora.nla.gov.au/tep/10194>

Torch Relay: <http://pandora.nla.gov.au/tep/10760>

Other OG sites: <http://pandora.nla.gov.au/tep/13335>

Official Report http://www.gamesinfo.com.au/postgames/rn/volume_en.htm

Sydney Olympic Park Authority <http://www.sydneyolympicpark.nsw.gov.au/>

Newly Found Latin American Sports Museums

A note to your Editor in mid January from a consultant at the Organization of American States began a dialogue on sports museums and halls of fame in Latin America. The consultant noted that on the Museums and Halls of Fame section in Scholarly Sport Sites (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/library/ssportsite/>) the Latin American section said "Under Construction". The consultant supplied the URL and the rest "is history." Recently found are:

El Salón de la Fama del Béisbol (in Monterrey Mexico) <http://www.salondelafama.com.mx/>

El Museo de Béisbol (in Valencia, Venezuela) <http://www.beisbolvenezolano.com/museo>

Meetings & Conferences

SPRIG Seminar

Theme: Mapping the Territory: an Exploration of Electronic Information Resources in Leisure, Tourism and Sport.

27 June 2002, Sheffield Hallam University,

Registration and Contact: Ruth Mitchell, SPRIG Treasurer, University Library, George Edwards Bldg., University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 7SH, UK. Email: r.mitchell@surrey.ac.uk

Registration fee: 80 GBP for SPRIG members; 110 GBP for non-members. Includes buffet lunch

The provisional list of speakers include:

- ALTIS Project by Steve Hewett, U. of Birmingham
- Market Research by Sarah Ward, Sheffield Hallam University
- Web Resources by Jonathan Webb, Sport England
- SPORTDiscus, Lesley Gunter, Sheffield Library and Information Services

5th Symposium of the International Chair in Olympism

Theme: The Legacy of the Olympic Games, 1984-2000

14-16 November 2002, Olympic Museum, Lausanne

The Symposium will explore 8 different legacy themes:

- Understanding Olympic Legacy and Its Historical Development
- Urban and Environmental Legacy of the Olympic Games
- The Sporting Legacy of the Olympic Games
- Political Legacies of the Olympic Games
- Cultural, Social and Communication Legacies
- Olympic Education and Documentation Legacy
- Organizing the Planning the Future Olympic Legacy

This symposium will bring together experts in the organization and research of the Olympic Games. Papers will be accepted in the communications sections. The first announcement of this symposium can be found at: <http://blues.uab.es/olympic.studies/olympiclegacy/index.html>

10th European Sport Management Congress in conjunction with the 4th International Sport Management Alliance Conference.

Theme: The Future of Sport Management

4-7th September 2002, Jyväskylä, Finland

Papers delivered at this conference will cover the following themes:

- Sport Tourism: Why is sport important for tourism?
- Sport and Media: Does the TV take over?
- Sport and Environment: Sport – way to preserve nature?
- Human Resources Management: the end of volunteerism?
- Events: Event, events and events, don't we have enough?
- Ethics: Are there any ethics left?

See the conference website for details of registration, fees, accommodation, etc.

<http://www.easm2002.com/>

Publications

Sport and Leisure Research on Disc 1970-2001

This database of approximately 1000 UK theses and dissertations on all aspects of physical education, sport, leisure and recreation is available on an updated CD-ROM disc. The thesis project, managed by Denise Harrison, was initially funded by the English Sports Council and the University Library, University of Sheffield. Subscription costs: 30 GBP for single user; 60 GBP for multi-user and 120 GBP. Order from: Denise Harrison, Main Library, University of Sheffield, Western Bank, Sheffield S10 2TN. Email: denise.Harrison@Sheffield.ac.uk (Note that SPORTDiscus has the theses records to 1995).

New Serials

Sports Biomechanics: the Journal of the International Society of Biomechanics in Sports.
v1, no. 1, 2002 -

ISSN 1476-3141, semi-annual

Editor: Ross Sanders

Publisher: Edinburgh University Press, 22 George Square, Edinburgh, Scotland EH8 9LF,
FAX 0131 6623 9953 Email: <mailto:journals@eup.ed.ac.uk>

Subscriptions: Institutional - \$85 USD, Individual - \$40 USD.

Website: <http://www.eup.ed.ac.uk/newweb/journals/Sports/>

Description: Articles in this scientific, refereed journal will emphasize the practical implications and applications of sports biomechanics research on sports techniques and sports injuries of interest to sports practitioners and researchers. Articles will maintain scientific rigour along with "reader friendliness." The main goals of ISBS are to generate knowledge to improve sports performance and to communicate this knowledge to sports scientists, coaches and sports participants.

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