

## OCEANIA REGIONAL REPORT IASI MEETING BARCELONA 2002

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### OCEANIA SPORT INFORMATION CENTRE

The major highlights of the Oceania Sport Information Centre (OSIC) were the completion of the extension to the reading and study area and the appointment of a full time Library Assistant. A review of OSIC was carried out late in 2001 by the National Sport Information Centre, Australian Sports Commission. The review looked at progress to date and made recommendations for the future. The report is currently in draft form for comment by the parties involved.

The OSIC collection has been strengthened by donations from Olympic Committees, ONOC, Australian Sports Commission and international federations. The collection is now a major resource for the Oceania region.

### AUSTRALIA

Major developments in Australia include the provision of access to two new databases, the Sports Journal Update database, a bibliographic database of 20,000 records selectively chosen from key sports journals – [www.ausport.gov.au/nsic/sju](http://www.ausport.gov.au/nsic/sju) and the Australian Sport and Recreation Courses Database providing details on over 1000 courses available in Australia – [www.activeaustralia.org/asrcd](http://www.activeaustralia.org/asrcd)

Major additions to the National Sport Information Centre in Australia in 2001 were the majority of publications produced by SOCOG, and the full videotapes and official reports from the Goodwill Games held in Brisbane, Australia in September 2001.

The Australasian Sport Information Network held their annual meeting in Canberra at the National Sport Information Centre, Australian Sports Commission. The main themes of the workshop were advances in audio visual technology; records management and a presentation from the National Library of Australia Pandora project, a project to archive significant Australian web sites. The discussion on the steps involved in archiving the Sydney 2000 web site was particularly interesting to delegates. The Pandora site can be viewed at <http://pandora.nla.gov.au/subject/19>

The new Library Assistant from OSIC attended the workshop and undertook additional training in sport information services during a short placement prior to the workshop.

Plans are under way to hold the next AUSPIN meeting in Perth, Western Australia in November 2002. It is hoped to be able to invite sport information professionals from the surrounding region to this meeting.

## Indexing for SPORT Discus

Almost 3000 records were contributed to SPORT Discus for the year 2001. Workflows have been improved to streamline the process of requesting permission and archiving resources on the ASC fulltext archive site. Over 1300 individual items from Australia and New Zealand have been identified, archived and indexed for SPORT Discus. Increasingly more and more documents are only available online and given the transitory nature of this material, the archiving process is essential to the provision of long term access to this material.

## NEW ZEALAND

There have been a number of changes in sport information in New Zealand following a major review in 2001 looking at how sport is structured and managed in New Zealand. The former Hillary Commission has changed its name to Sport and Recreation New Zealand. Robin White, a long time IASI member and contributor to the IASI listserv is no longer working for the Hillary Commission. Robin has been a major contributor to sport information services in New Zealand and is still keeping her hand in with contributions to the e-news service produced fortnightly keeping subscribers up to date with the latest sport information web offerings.

The Sport NZ website [www.sportnz.co.nz](http://www.sportnz.co.nz) is currently being revamped to provide additional content and ease of use.

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