Greetings & Happy New Year!
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ISSA Elections 2007

ISSA holds elections every 4 years. The next election will take place in 2007 in order to elect an Executive Board for the period of 2008-2011. Information about eligibility along with a nominations form were circulated last year and are also available on the issa www site. Please note that the deadline for nominations is January 31, 2007. Nominations should be sent to the ISSA Election Officers:

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ISSA Memberships 2007

Please note that 2007 Membership forms are in process and will soon be available on the ISSA www site. It is important to note that your membership is valid in the year in which you are paying unless otherwise stipulated. For example, if you pay your membership in June 2006 your membership is valid for the year 2006 and you will
receive all 2006 issues of IRSS. If you wish to be a member in 2007 you must renew again in 2007. At this time if you wish to renew your membership right away please use the 2006 form and simply indicate whether you wish to renew for 1 or 2 years. Alternatively, you can contact the Sage Memberships manager via telephone, fax or e-mail at:

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**Note:** ISSA is currently working with Sage to establish a more streamlined and user friendly membership/subscription system.

**IRSS**

Last year IRSS appointed a new editor, Professor John Sugden. In conjunction with a new editorial board Professor Sugden has been working very hard to process both the backlog of manuscripts along with the large volume of new submissions. As previously noted for a range of reasons IRSS fell behind with respect to its publication targets in 2006 with the the first issue (Vol 40, No. 1, 2006) just released. Our plan is to complete publication of volumes of 2006 and 2007 by the end of the year and thus be fully caught up. If you were a paid member for 2006 you will receive volumes as they are published. To receive the 2007 issues please ensure you have renewed your membership.

**Graduate Scholar Paper Award**

ISSA will again offer the Graduate Scholar Award. The prize is awarded to the best paper submitted by a full-time postgraduate student and consists of: a Sage book voucher, free registration, and a financial subsidy to attend the conference. Further details are available at: [www.issa.otago.ac.nz](http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz) (look under “Conferences).

**Submission Deadline:** Friday March 30th 2007

**ICSSPE:** One of the benefits of being an ISSA member is that you have access to a wide range of resources. One such resource is the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE). The ICSSPE www site provides up to date information about research, conferences and international initiatives in the field of sport and physical education. You can access their site at: [http://www.icsspe.org](http://www.icsspe.org). As an ISSA member we provide you with the password for access to the members only area. The new password is: **bcdm06**

**Forthcoming Conferences**
ISSA 2007, 4th World Congress of the Sociology of Sport, “Sport in a Global World; Past, Present & Future”, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. This conference will be held in conjunction with the International Sport History Conference, 31 July - 5 August, 2007. Online information is available at: http://www.ifi.ku.dk/ifi/congress2007 or E-mail: congress2007@ifi.ku.dk


4th EASS Conference “Local Sport in Europe”, Munster, Germany, 31 May – 3 June, 2007. For information: www.eass2007.de or info@eass2007.de

European Sport and Literature Conference, March, 2007. The Institute of Coaching & Sport Education of Semmelweis University, Budapest, will host a conference devoted to European Sport and Literature including: fiction, poetry, drama, and film. A formal announcement and call for papers will be sent in early October with a deadline for the submission of abstracts on December 1st. If you are interested in attending the conference or would like further details concerning the conference, please send a message to that effect to: Dr. Susan J. Bandy at susanjbandy@yahoo

Interested in Hosting an ISSA Conference?

Are you interested in hosting an ISSA conference in the future? If so please feel free to contact the General Secretary for the conference hosting guidelines (these will also be available on the issa web site in the near future). ISSA welcomes expressions of interests and will provide information to guide applications.

New Books Available for Review for IRSS
(complete list available at the ISSA www site). If you are interested in reviewing a book please contact Kim Schimmel: kschimme@kent.edu


**ISSA Statutes Update:**

The ISSA Statutes have been updated and our available at the ISSA www site: [www.issa.otago.ac.nz](http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz) (listed under “About ISSA”).

**Your views:**

ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. If your national or regional association has news to share please send it along. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions. Please send any feedback to the General Secretary, Steve Jackson at: sjackson@pooka.otago.ac.nz