

HELLO FROM VIDY

The vogue word of the moment is communication. Our world is seized by an irrepresible desire and unquenchable thirst for contacts, dialogues, confessions declared or whispered.

Anguish in the face of increasing solitude in spite of all the artifices which our society offers; the laudable need to know, to learn ; a desperate quest for human warmth ; the reasons for this great outpouring are numerous. Must we apply to these the famous title "Gone with the wind ?"

Sometimes, certainly. But — and this is the point I wish to make — communication may be the key to success for those who make it into an effective tool in their role as

"deciders", those whom my Anglo-Saxon friends aptly call the "decision-makers".

If I feel I have to speak of them today, it is because I have, here in front of me, two striking examples of what can be real communication in the service of the Olympic cause.

I find the first of these examples in an analysis of the IOC President's programme for February 1990, the shortest month of the year.

After spending the end of January in Auckland, New Zealand, for the opening of the Commonwealth Games, then moving on to Melbourne for the finals of the tennis Open and to visit the sports and cultural

NOTEBOOK

Mr Gisli Halldorsson, president of the NOC of Iceland, presenting Mr Gunnar Ericsson, IOC member in Sweden and on the IOC executive board, with the NOC's highest honour. It was awarded in recognition of Mr Ericsson's work in sport generally and particularly for what he has done for the Nordic countries.



CALENDAR

1990 APRIL

BELGRADE 24th-26th IOC Executive Board (I)
27th Executive Board with the ASOIF

JUNE

BARCELONA 4th 20th meeting of the ANOC board
5th-7th IOC Executive Board (II)
6th-7th ANOC General Assembly
8th Meeting of the IOC Executive Board with the NOCs
23rd Olympic Day

AUGUST

MADAGASCAR 24th-2nd Sept. 3rd Games of the Indian Ocean

SEPTEMBER

TOKYO 14th-16th IOC Executive Board (III)
16th-19th 96th IOC Session