

Education. We congratulate Karl Lennartz [and ISOH] on this important appointment!

Our good wishes go to Harry Gordon who has been presented with the first **Australian Sports Commission Lifetime Achievement Media Award** for a lifetime's work devoted to writing about sport. Chairman Peter Bartels presented the award to Harry Gordon for his services to the media over **60 years** in a special meeting at the National Press Club in Canberra. An indication of how highly this award is regarded is shown by the personal letter which Harry received from Australia's Prime Minister John Howard!

Harry was for several years a much appreciated member of the editorial team for the *Journal of Olympic History*, [from which he recently retired owing to other commitments]

As usual at the end of the year [2002], all members will by now have received the ISOH Directory for 2003, with the names of all Full Members, Patron Members and [unfortunately] also the names of several members who have had to be deleted from membership because they had neglected to pay subscription dues for two consecutive years.

As in previous years, I enclose with the ISOH Directory 2003, a personal letter explaining to each member his/her situation with regard to

his/her payment of the subscription dues.

However, I need to say that the same problem as stated above, threatens to happen to several members, who still have to pay the subscription over the last year (2002). It is for this reason that I urge every member to look at his personal situation with regard to payment of the subscription dues.

Our founder member from Sweden Ture Widlund provided us with an overall index of all articles that were published during the first ten years of ISOH's existence. To celebrate ISOH's first decade, the Executive Committee decided to print this index for all members, so that everyone can see, what articles have been published in the *Journal of Olympic History* over the past ten years.

I should add that many of those articles can also be found [with ISOH's permission] on the website of the Amateur Athletic Foundation in Los Angeles: <http://www.aafla.org>.

Alternatively you can obtain back issues of the *Journal of Olympic History* through me, even though several issues have long been out of print. However, we've kept 'master-copies' from each issue, which can be photocopied and bound. For each backissue, original or in photocopy, the price is US\$10.00, not including mailing costs.

Anthony Th. Bijkerk

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

The old and new editors

Since the foundation of ISOH more than ten years ago we have produced a journal.

Originally named *citius – altius – fortius*, it now bears the title *Journal of Olympic History*. As we have grown so has the journal. An increase in content and quality has helped it part of a circle of well-recognised Olympic publications world wide.

In recent years Tony Bijkerk was chief editor and general secretary of ISOH. He was supported by editors from various European countries and published many interesting articles. Undoubtedly he did a great job. We

cannot thank him enough for his efforts. It is only reasonable that Tony does not wish to continue as both editor and general secretary. For some time he has been looking for a successor. Therefore we have decided to take over the job as chief editor of the journal. The last four issues have been published and mailed out at our institute, so the format of the magazine is familiar to us. In addition we will be able to call on the same editorial team which has done such great work in recent years. We will try to go on with the work in the Olympic spirit and hope that you will be satisfied with the content and structure of this issue.



Stephan Wassong and Karl Lennartz

Karl Lennartz

From 1960 to 1966 I studied History, Geography, Sport, Pedagogy and Art History in Bonn, Göttingen and Cologne. In 1968 I gained my Ph.D. and was employed as a senior lecturer at the Universities of Bonn and Cologne. Since 1980 I have worked as a sport historian at the German Sport University Cologne where I became head of the Carl and Liselott Diem-Archive. This archive is the Olympic institute of the German Sport University Cologne. Almost 20 of my books deal with the Olympic Movement. Additionally I published more than 100 articles in scientific journals, books and articles about both Carl Diem and long distance running.

Since the end of the eighties I have been a member of various study-groups of the IOC and of various national and international organisations in the field of history and sport history. In 2002 I had the honour to become a member of the IOC-commission for Culture and Olympic Education. Since the foundation of ISOH I have been a member of this organisation. I became member of the board in 1996 and Vice President in 2000.

For many years I trained athletes who won ten German Championships and who held various German, European- and Worlds-records in long distance running. Next to my involvement in the education of coaches I myself was an active marathon and ultramarathon runner. I was awarded the Order of the Federal Republic of Germany in 1991 and the Olympic Order in 1997. Since 1972 I have actively taken part in the town council of St. Augustin. Since 1964 I have been married to Ingrid Lennartz with whom I have three children.

Karl Lennartz

Stephan Wassong

When I was asked by Karl Lennartz to share the editorial of the Journal of Olympic History in the future I did not hesitate. It is a real honour for me to work closely together with Karl, associate editors and with all the members of our society. As a young scholar in the field of Olympic History I can only profit from his experience.

*Since my studies at the German Sport University Cologne and at the University of Cologne I have felt a strong interest in Olympic History and Olympic Pedagogy from the German Sport University I have also earned my Doctoral Degree. My Ph.D. thesis *The early US-American influence on Pierre de Coubertin's educational campaign* was published in German in October 2002. (A brief summary of the monograph is presented on p. 63.) Luckily the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles (AAF) decided to fund an English translation of my German publication. The English version will be available on the website of the AAF in 2003. Additionally I have published various articles on Olympic History, Olympic Pedagogy and Sport History in general.*

I was awarded the Junior Scholar Award of the European Committee for Sport History (CESH) in 2002, the Willi Daume Scholarship Award by the German Olympic Committee in 1998 and the Toyota Sponsorship Award by the German Sport University Cologne in 1996. I am a member of both the German and the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee. Since 2000 I have been employed at the German Sport University Cologne as a lecturer and assistant to the dean. In my classes I deal with various aspects of Olympic history Olympic education, US-American sport culture and with the history of adventure education. Last but not least I have been married to Annette with whom I have two young daughters.

I am looking forward to co-operating with you and to sharing our common aim to make our journal internationally well-known.

Stephan Wassong