

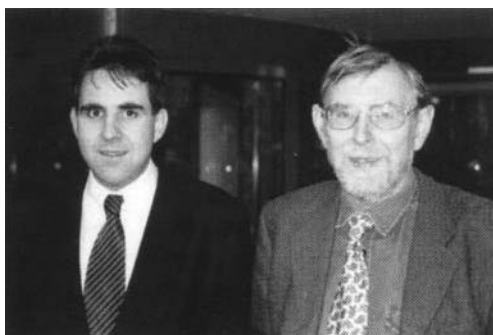
## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

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As always we are pleased to present you a new issue of our magazine. It will be the last one for this year. At the end of our first year as editors of the journal it is time to look back briefly. We still really enjoy the job and hope that we have made some reasonable contributions to the quality of the Journal. It is for sure that we profited much from the assistance of our co-editors Tony Bijkerk and Philip Barker and of the subscribers who gave us valuable information on various things, which are to be improved. Thank you very much to all of you. We hope that it will go on in this very productive way.

We really enjoyed preparing this issue as we received both a lot of articles and inquiries on the possibility to place articles and information in our magazine. Of course this should not prevent you from going on to provide us with information and your latest research results. Now we have an ISSN number, which is a device for the reputation of our magazine.

If you take a closer look at the sport related national or international conferences which were already been held or which will be organised in the future you will recognise



that a lot of these conferences dealt or will dealing with Olympic matters. In September alone there were two conferences. One was organised by the *German Pierre de Coubertin Committee* in Leipzig and was on the topic: *International Influences on the Re-Establishment of the Olympic Games by Pierre de Coubertin*. You can find a report on the

symposium and a list of the ISOH members who attended this symposium in this issue. At the end of September the *European Committee for Sport History* will organise its 8th International Congress. The Congress will take place in ancient Olympia. The topic is "*Ancient and Modern Olympic Games: Their Political and Cultural Dimensions*". We are happy to be able to meet a lot of ISOH-members at this congress about which we will report in the next issue.

The *German Sport University Cologne* is considering organising a big conference on the history of the Olympic Games and on the Olympic Movement in May 2005. We will keep you informed about the planning of this conference!

*Karl Lennartz and Stephan Wassong*