

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Happy Holidays to all the membership of ISOH as we enter our fourth year of existence. A message from Ian Buchanan detailing our short history is attached.

The main note today is to discuss the future of the journal. As mentioned earlier, 1996 will be the last year in which I will serve as editor of *Citius, Altius, Fortius*. Starting with the Winter 1997 issue, Tony Bijkerk of the Netherlands will assume the role as editor. He will be aided by two assistant editors - Wray Vamplew (GBR) and Steve Harris (USA). I am sure they will do a fine job.

I do have enough articles to easily finish the 1996 volume of the journal. However, during the next year, I would encourage all members to send me anything they have of interest which they would like to submit to the journal. I would hope to have a good supply of articles to turn over to the new editors next fall and winter. I do not want to leave them "stranded" with nothing to publish.

Finally, elections of officers of ISOH are to take place during this Olympic year. Three positions as officers - president, vice-president, and secretary-general - and four other positions on the Executive Committee are open to election. An eighth member is appointed by the IOC. Please send me any nominations which you may have for the positions. There are no restrictions on the nominations at this time. Officers may not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position, but that does not limit us at this time.

After nominations are received, I will include a mail ballot with the next issue, which should go out in May or early June 1996. We will announce the results in the Fall issue of the journal, although the elected officials will take office starting at the end of the Olympic Games in Atlanta.

Finally, dues for 1996 are now payable. I include with this issue a copy of the roster of members as well as a dues notice, which lists your current status as a member. If you are not listed as paid up, or if the dues notice you receive is "Yellow," and not "White," please send in your dues as outlined on the notice.

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