
TIME TO MEET AGAIN

IOAPA CONFERENCE – AUGUST 2003

The time to meet again is approaching very fast. We finally have managed to set the dates for the next IOAPA session, which will be held between the 12 and 16 August 2003 at the IOA in Olympia. This year our session will overlap the main session, which will finish on the 12 August 2003. Therefore the IOAPA Executive Board is planning to meet and pass one night (i.e. on the 11 August) in a hotel in Olympia. In this way there will be the possibility to meet the participants of the main session in their last night in the village of Olympia. Our session will start on the 12 August in the afternoon and finish on the 15 August. We will leave the IOA early morning on the 16 August. This will make our session a little bit shorter than usual. During the session we will have the elections for the new Executive Board, talks by the participants, sports activities, social evenings and maybe something new. As usual we are trying to arrange the bus transport from Athens to Olympia on the 11 August, early in the morning. So check your flights and see how they will fit around these dates. Like last year we will have to pay for our meals at the IOA, which will amount to Euro15 per day. Those sleeping in the dormitories (maximum 6 persons) will be generously given free accommodation by the IOA. Those who are interested to participate should contact the:

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A deposit of Euro50 or USD50 is being requested for those who would like to book their place at the IOAPA session. This is strictly on a first come first served basis. Please ensure that payments made by cheque are in the same currency as the drawee bank to avoid unnecessary charges for the IOAPA. Anybody wishing to know more or ask questions can contact the Vice President for more details. The next newsletter that will be issued before the end of the year will have all the information in connection with the IOAPA conference.

Kindly inform us if you will be arriving in Athens before and if you would like to stay longer after the session finishes, to go to the islands. We will try to arrange things so that all the participants will be informed of what is happening before and after the IOAPA conference. Please inform all your IOAPA friends about the conference so that we will have a large group and consequently have a healthy
session. More details will be provided in our next newsletter, which will be out early next year.

See you there.
Carlo Farrugia - Vice President/IOAPA Chair

**E-mail DIRECTORY**

If you are in contact with other IOAPA members please forward this e-circular to them and ask them to contact Alastair Cameron at oz.nomad@bigpond.net.au if they have not received it directly from our Secretary. Help us to update the e-mail directory and our directory of IOAPA friends in general!

**MEMBERSHIP**

We need to take every opportunity to remind you of the membership payment. We have managed to retain the membership fee at the same level since 1995. It stands at US$30 (EURO 30) and covers two-year membership. We also offer Life Memberships for $300. Please mail cheque (payable to I.O.A.P.A.) to:

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**NEWS FROM MEMBERS**

The University of Missouri-St. Louis is organizing an international conference on the Olympic Games March 21-23, 2003. Submissions of papers not only on the Olympic Games, but also on ancient sports in general, are welcome. The Call for Papers and other pertinent information can be found at www.olympiconference.org. For further information please contact Zinon Papakonstantinou, PhD Candidate, Department of History, University of Washington at zpapak@u.washington.edu

From Maniliz Segarra - Hello my IOAPA friends. I just started to work for the Puerto Rico Department of Sport and Recreation on a program for Women's Initiative in Sports. On behalf of the Department I’m organizing an International Congress on this Issue. The Congress title is: FACE TO FACE: GENDER EQUITY IN SPORTS. The Congress will be held from April 3-5, 2003 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Please let me know if any of you are interested in being a part of our Congress.
For me will be a pleasure to have IOAPA members as guests in my beautiful Island and I’m sure that can be a great resources for the successful of the Congress. If any of you are actually interesting in be part of the Congress as a speaker or as an attendance please contact me as soon as possible. You can contact Maniliz at Maniliz@aol.com

HANS VAN HAUTE FUND
During the last IOAPA conference in 2002, we had set up this fund with the scope to provide some financial assistance to members that do not have the means to travel to Olympia. The fund now has over a thousand dollars. The distribution of the fund will be made on recommendations from a committee chaired by Harry Regensburger. All donations will be acknowledged. ANY MEMBERS WHO THINK THEY NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND THE IOAPA CONFERENCE ARE REQUESTED TO WRITE TO ANY MEMBER OF THE IOAPA EXECUTIVE BOARD WHO WILL THEN FORWARD ALL THE REQUESTS TO THE HANS VAN HAUTE COMMITTEE.

ATHENS 2004
As promised in our previous e-circulars we will discuss the possibility of having an IOAPA group working under the Volunteer programme in the IOAPA conference. For further general information on the Olympic Summer Games in Athens in 2004 and ways in which you can be involved directly, please take a look at their website at www.athens2004.org.

If you have any feedback for us please do not hesitate to let us know your thoughts and ideas so we can communicate them to all. Do not feel you have to wait for Arete to be produced if you want to let people know some exciting news, just pass it on to us and we will get the word out!!

Yours in Olympism,
The IOAPA Team