

FICS Newsletter



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The World Games are the largest Championships to be held in the World this year and run from the 14-24th July 2005 in Duisburg, Germany. The German Organizing Committee and our colleagues in the German Chiropractic Sports Council are doing a fantastic job preparing for these games. FICS has a contract to supply 15 accredited Chiropractors for these Games and we are currently looking for volunteers to be part of this team. Applicants are required to obtain an ICSSD as it is an official FICS' event and this is currently the minimal educational requirement needed. If you would like to be part of this event, please make sure you have filled out the application form on the FICS website at www.fice-online.org before the end of February 2005. This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of a large International Games and will be an experience of a lifetime. It also marks a significant step forward for Chiropractic's continuing integration into the International Sporting arena.

International Olympic Committee

The Greek's are to be complemented on superb Olympic Games, which was very well organized and was an experience never to be forgotten by those involved.



The challenge now for FICS is the forthcoming Torino Winter Olympic Games in Italy early in 2006. Dr. Daniele Bertamini is currently discussing Chiropractic involvement at these Games. At this stage, it is far too early to speculate what the outcome of these discussions will be. We are hopeful of a positive outcome.

ICSSD

The FICS postgraduate program continues to be well supported with 40 taking part in the latest program in Bournemouth, England this January. Future models will be held in Norway from the 2-4th June 2006, when we will also be holding the FICS AGM. The program is also being proposed for Toronto, Canada from the 8-10th December 2005 for the first time and in the USA from the 15-17th December 2005. These programs are a great opportunity to find out about sports chiropractic and give you some excellent techniques to use in the office on Monday morning. Watch the Website for current updates.

NORWAY

FICS would like to congratulate the Norwegian Chiropractic Association on establishing a Sports Chiropractic wing. This is a large step forward for them and for Sports Chiropractic internationally. The Norwegian Olympic Committee has huge respect and consequently influence in the Olympic movement and their involvement will only help to promote chiropractic in the best possible way.

FICS Office

FICS is very aware that communication has been a problem for the organization. To try to resolve this problem and improve our relations with the membership we are undergoing a massive review of procedure. This includes a complete restructuring of the current by-laws to setting up a FICS office. As a result, members of FICS and the profession as a whole will become more efficient on reporting and notifying members of activities.

Sometimes things move very slowly politically and at others more rapidly. For Sports Chiropractic and FICS the next 18 months are going to be very busy and I expect to see rapid progress

Tom Greenway
FICS Secretary-General

President's address:

Greetings fellow members of FICS,

Our organization will be going through some exciting changes over the next 18 months. We anticipate a new enthusiasm and strength. FICS has many ways for its members to become involved, such as the upcoming ICSSD programs and the World Games. Our commitment is to provide better communications with our members as well as others in various sporting events. The key to this communication is that you provide us with an updated version of all addresses especially email. We appreciate your assistance.

We encourage your feedback on this newsletter, suggestions for meetings and hands on seminars or any comments you would like to share.

Here's to an exciting 2005!

Daniele Bertamini
FICS President

FICS Database

We are currently compiling a comprehensive database of all individuals, educational institutions and organizations associated with FICS.

This database is essential in order to develop a proper communication procedure for our organization.

It will allow us the ability to improve our communications with any subgroup individually or all contacts at once. This database will help to facilitate the dispersal of this newsletter and other pertinent information.

We anticipate producing a newsletter this year for electronic delivery and a hardcopy through the mail.

The FICS newsletter will be produced from contributions of the FICS Board, FICS members, FICS president, Chiropractic Institutions, sports federations and any other resources that would pertain to improving FICS's communications with those related to the sporting arena.

The goals for this project are to better communicate the role FICS has in providing world-class chiropractic care for athletes, to increase the awareness that FICS provides postgraduate educational advancement such as the ICSSD program and continuing educational programs.

There will be some "house-keeping" issues to deal with as we pursue opening up the communication lines: some of you may receive two issues, or the email address data received by the data coordinator is either incorrect or not up to date. Please notify us immediately so we can correct this database.

Please email your comments, information or article for the next newsletter or names and addresses of any other contacts that should receive this newsletter to debnook@westnet.com.au

Respectfully submitted
Deb Nook
FICS Database Coordinator

NOTICE of up coming 2005 ECU Convention

May 5-7, 2005

LIMASSOL Cyprus

Need more information? Go to: www.edu2005.org

Submitted by Stathis Papadopoulous



World Games: HOT OFF THE PRESS

Due to the Official status of Full Accreditation of the Chiropractic involvement at the World Games, in Duisburg, Germany, it is necessary to receive all applications for the World Games by March 1st. Applicants must be FICS members and have obtained an ICSSD. This application date has been moved forward due to the credentialing process by the WFC. Please go to the FICS website: www.fics-online.org to apply.

You will need your membership number to access this application. If you need help entering this site, please email Rikke Craven at rcraven@fics-online.org.

Tim Ray
FICS Games Commission

FICS is committed to better communications

FICS 2005 Membership dues

2005 Dues notices will be distributed to FICS's individual members. If your country's Sports Organization is recognized by FICS, your dues to that country include the membership fee for FICS.

Please email your National Chiropractic Sports Council representative to verify that your country dues include FICS dues.

Need the contacts email address?
Just let me know and I can provide their information to you.

More information to follow.

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FICS Seminar in CANADA 2005

FICS is planning its first course in North America in 05 December, in Toronto.

The details will be posted on the FICS website www.fics-online.org.

More information can also be gained by contacting the FICS Canadian representative:

Gordon Lawson:
phone: 905 475 2001 or
maxlawson@rogers.com

We invite all Canadian sports Chiropractors to join FICS!

Gordon Lawson
International Federations Commission

ICSSD:

Watch the website for updates.



New graduates of the ICSSD in Bournemouth, 2005

The FICS postgraduate program continues to be well supported with 40 taking part in the latest program in Bournemouth, England this January. Future modules will be held in Norway in June 2006, when we will also be holding the FICS' annual General Assembly (GA). We also look forward to a seminar to be run in Toronto, Canada and in the USA at the end of the year.

Confirmation is not complete at the time of this newsletter so watch the website: www.fics-online.org and following newsletter.

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Tentative ICSSD Hands-On Programs include:

October 2005:	Mediterranean
December 2005:	Canada
December 2005:	USA
June 2005:	Norway (with the GA)



Brian Nook
FICS Education Commission

Affidavits from Athletes

FICS involvement has proven to be a beneficial part of every athletic event we have attended. This ranges from the Olympics, Commonwealth Games, All African Games and Athletic Track and Field Championships, to name just a few.

Our ability to diagnose, treat and assist patients is appreciated by the athletes. The response of these athletes to our care needs to be documented. We are reviewing and preparing an avenue for these satisfied athletes to put their benefit from Chiropractic care into writing and to state that the next step forward is to request Chiropractic care at their upcoming venues.

This database of affidavits will be utilized in our ongoing discussion with the IOC, other multi-sports events, International Sport Federations, National Sports Federations and Chiropractic Associations.

Please respond to this data gathering process by sending suggestions, names of athletes or your own affidavits that can become part of our ongoing database.

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