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ISEA Membership for 2012

Dear current and new ISEA members:

I am writing to invite you to join or renew your membership in the ISEA for 2012. In order to encourage you to join early in the year, membership fees paid prior to or on January 31, 2012 will be £80 for full membership and £10 for student membership. After that date, membership fees will increase to £100 for full membership and £20 for student membership.

As I am sure you all know, the next ISEA conference will be held in July at the University of Massachusetts – Lowell. Patrick Drane and Jim Sherwood have been hard at work planning the conference. I know I am already looking forward to the conference and the chance to re-connect with many friends and colleagues I have not seen since Vienna. I do hope you can all attend. And while you are planning your trip, reach out to a friend or colleague who has never been to an ISEA conference and invite them to join you. As always, ISEA members receive a discount on the conference fee, so this is a further incentive to sign up for 2012 now.

The ISEA has been working hard to get the Sports Engineering Journal back on its defined publication schedule. Our editor, Martin Strangwood, and Springer, our publisher have instituted an aggressive publication schedule to meet that challenge. As of this writing, I am happy to report that we have met that goal. The 2011 issue will conclude with a substantial triple issue to finish out the year. We are also planning a special issue focused on Olympic sports to coincide with the London 2012 Olympics. Sports Engineering has focused on quality over quantity, and we appreciate your sending in your manuscripts for publication. If you have submitted a paper for the ISEA conference, I encourage you to consider submitting an expanded version of that paper for publication in the journal.

The ISEA sub-committees have been hard at work over the past months, and I would like to recognize our sub-committee chairs:

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Each of the subcommittees has been hard at work to bring you benefits of membership.

Events/Education organized a very successful sports engineering Winter School held on the slopes of the Dolomites in Italy earlier this year. The program will be repeated this coming winter.

Publications has worked hard realizing the publication of a sports engineering text. The committee has been collecting material and is organizing an effort to publish a sports engineering text. All of us in academia and industry know there is not a single source of information that covers the basics of our field. The publications committee has also launched the ISEA Facebook page. Please visit the page, give it a "like" <http://continuinged.uml.edu/isea2012/default.htm>.

Conferences is of course providing any help that they can to the University of Massachusetts – Lowell team as they organize their conference. But they are also looking much further ahead and will soon be evaluating the proposals submitted by host sites for the 2014 conference.

Marketing/Publicity developed and distributed the ISEA member survey. The Executive Committee as a whole is utilizing the findings of the survey to craft our plans for the future.

Nominations will manage the election of the officers and members of the ISEA Executive Committee in 2012. Please reach out to the Nominations chair if you would like to be considered for a role on the Executive Committee. As a high percentage of the Executive Committee serves more than one term, no particular experience is required to be considered for nomination, just a passion for sports engineering and technology.

Pam Wheen continues as the ISEA Administrative Officer. She is based at Sheffield University. Should you have any questions for Pam, or need help with your membership renewal, she can be contacted at ISEA-enquiries@sheffield.ac.uk.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries about the ISEA with which you think I may be able to help.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Lowell.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim B. Blair". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kim B. Blair, Ph.D.
President ISEA