



EUROPEAN SECTION

ISRP SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2006 February 2007

In 2006 the individual membership was 72, which was a small decrease over 2005. The number of corporate members was 6. We have one honorary member.

We implemented the policy of mailing important notices to members together with mailing the Journal and we think this move was appreciated by members.

2006 saw the biennial conference take place in Toronto. While the European section did take steps to advertise the conference through e-mail and distributing leaflets, we were perhaps not as active as we should have been in publicizing the event – a lesson we can learn in the run up to the 2008 Dublin conference.

During the year the committee researched venues for the 2008 biennial conference and opted for Dublin. Following a visit to Dublin by almost all committee members, the Burlington Hotel was chosen as the conference venue. Later in the year Andy Capon and Leo Steenweg returned to Dublin to finalize contract details and research Trinity College as a Banquet venue. Trinity College was chosen and both contracts have now been signed and deposits paid.

In the latter part of 2006 we were more aggressive than in previous years in sending out requests for membership renewal. This stance has paid off with more than twenty 2007 renewals received before the end of the year.

I wish to repeat the annual request to members to ensure that members' contact information is accurate and to supply George Robins with any changes, so we can pass the most up to date information on to the International Society for inclusion in the annual membership directory.

Again in 2006 George Robins provided invaluable administrative support and I would like to repeat my personal thanks to George for his commitment to the Society. George will continue his role as Section Administrator, for which he receives a small remuneration for hours worked.

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