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# ISHA Editor's Welcome

## Parminder J Singh



Welcome to ISHA NEWS. This is our third edition and I would like to express my thanks to all our contributors. Our President has given us an overview on where we are with our ISHA society. This year we have a new section from our past presidents providing their expert opinion on hip arthroscopy training and the standards we should be aiming for. The members are looking forward to the scientific programme and stimulating debates in the forthcoming 8<sup>TH</sup> annual scientific meeting hosted in Cambridge this year. ISHA would like to thank all contributors of the 1<sup>ST</sup> Edition of the ISHA book, which will provide a unique insight into the global Advances in Arthroscopy, Arthroplasty and Joint Preservation. This year we will hear about the shift in orthopaedic publishing and how the *Journal of Hip Preservation Surgery (JHPS)*, has reached gold status as an Open Access journal, thanks to the incredible support from ISHA members and the Editor in Chief of the JHPS. In this edition of ISHA news the members will read about a proposal for introducing the "ISHA online Journal Club". The role of registries is beginning to influence orthopaedic practice around the world and we will hear about the Non-Arthroplasty Hip Registry (NAHR) developed by the British Hip Society that was initially launched in 2012. We will hear how our expert physiotherapists are progressing with their campaign to educate us all in the rehabilitation of hip arthroscopy. An update is provided by our membership secretary on how our society continues to grow year by year around the world. This year we will hear from our education secretariat on how ISHA have secured educational grants to support two ISHA international fellowships per year. Our general ISHA secretary will update us on the how the ISHA website continues to provide a key role to our global members. Finally, ISHA news brings to our readers for the first time a debate on hot topics from experts in the field and our first case report. ISHA news would welcome your feedback by email to [secretary@isha.net](mailto:secretary@isha.net).

# President's Report

## J. W. Thomas Byrd



Dear ISHA Family,

It is exciting and an honour to write to you from the President's chair of ISHA. My tenure will end in a few months, but what both our veteran and young IHSA thought leaders have underway is setting the stage for monumental accomplishments in the years to come. These accomplishments are a direct tribute to the contributions of each and every ISHA member.

Our annual meeting last year in Rio was hugely successful in terms of attendance, sharing of the latest highest levels of research, and educational content to benefit ISHA members and non-members alike. This success is credited to our gracious Host Chairman, Giancarlo Polesello, and seasoned Program Chairman, Marc Safran, in addition to the invaluable assistance of MCJ consulting. A high bar was set, but look for this to be exceeded by the experiences that will await us with the next annual meeting in Cambridge, September 23-26. This year's Program Chair, Richard Field, and Host Chair, Tony Andrade, have their sights on eclipsing anything you may have previously seen at an ISHA meeting. It is noteworthy that this will be in Richard Villar's back yard, our inaugural ISHA President, and of whom this organization was the brainchild.

The Cambridge meeting will naturally emphasize everything to do with arthroscopic/endoscopic techniques, but look for a comprehensive program on all aspects of hip preservation as well as rehabilitation strategies that are essential to our surgical successes. On Wednesday, the day prior to the annual meeting, there will be cadaver labs where you can come early and hone your motor skills. Also, balancing the academic program will be outstanding social events including a black tie gala.

However, ISHA is about much more than just our exemplary annual meeting. Our non-profit Foundation, based in Switzerland, allows us to make the most efficient use of our funds in executing all aspect of our mission for research, education, and patient advocacy. Our travelling fellowships allow young practicing surgeons an opportunity to learn and experience hip arthroscopy in the true global light of ISHA. These are structured to assure a diverse international experience for each participant. Research is foremost on our radar with particular emphasis on outcomes. Collectively, we are accomplishing many great things, but we have to have the data that objectively supports these accomplishments. ISHA is working feverishly on this. At every level across the globe, this information is going to be

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important in order to assure patient access to the techniques and technology that we have available to help them. Ultimately, the patients and patient care are what we are all about. Keep your eye on the horizon for many new projects coming down the pike through ISHA.

These accomplishments are worthy, but they take exhaustive resources. That is, the resources of ISHA, through the manpower that each of you brings to this organization. However, most of this could not be accomplished without our industry partners. They understand that business successes come through better patient care and thus our goals are common. When the opportunity presents itself, thank the industry people that you may know (I<sup>2</sup>D) for what they do on everyone's behalf.

But there is more; by now you are all aware of the Journal of Hip Preservation Surgery, another brainchild of Richard Villar, strongly supported by his cast of deputy editors, Marc Safran, Michael Leunig and Phil Noble. Just in its infancy, the journal is already poised to be citable in Pub Med and Index Medicus. This is a remarkable accomplishment for such a new journal. However, just review the table of contents and you will appreciate the exceptionally high quality of scientific research that is being published in addition to systematic reviews and current concepts. This is a major bonus for ISHA members, and anyone involved in hip arthroscopy and hip preservation surgery; providing a stellar venue through which to share all of the latest printed information.

How have all of these accomplishments been possible and how have they happened? In my opinion, it is due to the transcending nature of this remarkable hip arthroscopy and preservation field in which we dwell. There are no political boundaries in the world of hip arthroscopy. Thought leaders, whether across town or across the globe, seek each other as we all grow together in this rapidly evolving area.

I could go on, but my pen grows empty, my hand fatigued and my mind weary. I think you get the message. You won't want to miss our next gathering in Cambridge. The educational experience and the sharing of research will only be surpassed by the camaraderie. Until then, best to all, and be safe.