Throughout 2012, OSIC staff focused on OSIC’s mission to collect, manage and disseminate information in the fields of sport and physical education for the Pacific region. Summarised in this report are staff efforts toward that goal as well as other OSIC-related issues attended to. The terminal section of the report includes 2012 statistics on OSIC activity. It is noted here that because OSIC is considered by USP Library to be a section of the Library, the majority of OSIC staff time was spent in Library responsibilities not pertaining to OSIC, its mission, or serving the sport populations of Oceania.

**JANUARY – APRIL 2012**

**Sport Serials.** A joint decision by the University Librarian, the OSIC Coordinator and the Serials Librarian, with input from the OSIC Library Assistant, resulted in removal of all sport serials from the OSIC Reading Room and their division into two collections: OSIC Serials: those related to Oceania and the International Olympics Committee and its arms; older issues are kept in the OSIC Office and current issues are displayed in the OSIC Reading Area. Library Serials: all other sport serials; these were reassigned to the Library; the older issues were interfiled with other Library serial back issues; the current issues are displayed in the OSIC Reading Area.

**OSIC Reading Area.** A small, comfortable reading area for sport serials was set up beside the OSIC Office in Mid-February. It is furnished with a couch and two chairs, a small table, a bulletin board, current serials display shelves, and sport posters. Its purpose is to provide a quiet place for reading sport serials. All current sport serials are displayed there, whether part of OSIC’s or the Library’s serials collection.

**Library Displays.** OSIC booked reservations with the USP Library to mount four USP Library displays in 2012, all of them sport related and intended to increase OSIC’s visibility. The first display, 4th Feb–17th Mar, featured the Rugby VI Nations tournament and was created by the OSIC Assistant. It featured rugby boots and an official Fiji Rugby Union (FRU) rugby ball, generously lent by FRU, which were returned to FRU when the display was dismantled.
THE OSIC OFFICE.

New IT Equipment from ONOC. ONOC donated new IT equipment to the OSIC Office in mid-March; it comprised a new computer for the OSIC Coordinator (CPU, monitor, keyboard, mouse, headset) and a combination printer/copier/scanner with B/W and colour output.

Changes. Changes made within OSIC during this period included:

- The USP Library Serials Attendants with their furniture moved to a location near the OSIC Reading Area, a change requested by the OSIC Coordinator and supported by the Library administration. The newly available space in the OSIC office will be used to organize and reshelve the sport resources held in OSIC.
- Furnishings/Maintenance. A new desk chair for the Coordinator was ordered and a table fan acquired for the Library Assistant; a notice board was purchased by the Library and installed; office louvers were lubricated and a long overdue general cleaning took place.
- OSIC Sign. To make OSIC more visible and identifiable, the OSIC sign from the former OSIC Reading Room was placed above the Library service desk located in OSIC. Sport posters were hung above the service counter, on the nearby wall and in the OSIC office.
- Queries Tally Sheet. A revised form was implemented for 2012 to track query types, frequency, timing, topics and requesters. Results are reported on the last page of this report.

Organizing OSIC Resources. Weeding, identifying, locating, indexing, and organizing resources, and placing them on shelves with good signage are essential to having resources available to enable OSIC staff to provide timely and high quality responses to information queries. To this end, the following actions were taken.

- Weeding: Pre-2008 back issues of non-Olympics and non-Oceania related sport serials were weeded from the collection; numerous non-copyright compliant materials in the OSIC office were weeded and discarded. Their records in the USP Library catalogue and the OSIC Index were updated.
- Identifying: Ongoing is a comparison of titles in the OSIC shelved resources Index with the physical items on the shelves to identify subject categories and subcategories. A database for reference purposes will be compiled for OSIC staff use until all items can be catalogued.
- Locating In-Process Sport Resources: Many missing sport materials with “In-Process” or “Physical Processing” statuses in USP Library catalogue records have been located within the Library and either catalogued or indexed by OSIC for the purpose of creating a database of all resources in OSIC for staff to use in responding to queries.
- Indexing: OSIC’s posters, news clippings files, office holdings, found in-process/physical processing resources, electronic files, and others are being indexed on Excel spreadsheets. Databases of these will be created. The work camp student assigned to OSIC during December 2012 indexed the posters and many of the news articles. Continuing cutting and index updating is being done by the OSIC Assistant.

NEW SPORT RESOURCES:

- Gifts, primarily serials, were received from ONOC, FASANOC and Albert Miller. Those not catalogued for the USP Library were placed on display in the OSIC Reading Area for interested readers. Duplicate gifts were placed on the OSIC Disposal List and made available to USP campus libraries.
- Fiji Rugby Union graciously presented OSIC with numerous copies of their recent publications, their Fiji Rugby DVD, and a Digicel rugby ball. FRU has offered OSIC any support or lending of rugby items for displays, etc.
- The OSIC Coordinator corresponded with ATFS Oceania Athletics statisticians, seeking and receiving past and recent statistical and historical records to augment the OSC collection.
- Dozens of new sport related books requested by OSIC were added to the USP Library’s vibrant and growing collection of sport books. All were purchased and are owned by the USP Library, which limits borrowing to Library members and Inter-Library Loan transactions. More books are on order. Statistics for these are included on the last page.

OSIC SERVICES.

OSIC Current Awareness Service (CAS). An email service established in February 2012. CAS is Fiji copyright compliant and replaces the former OSIC Current Contents Service in which photocopies of Tables of Contents (TOC) of newly received sport books and journal issues were sent to recipients. CAS lists the titles, call numbers, links to online TOC, if available, and gives directions for requesting copies by email, phone, fax or mail. Email announcements are sent to targeted distribution lists (see below) and to USP’s All Staff/All Student email list.

OSIC Email Account and Email Distribution Lists. Primarily intended for sport information query receipt and responses, OSIC’s existing but inactive generic email account was revitalized by USP ITS and Library IT sections. Email distribution lists comprised of ONOC staff, the National Olympic Committees in Oceania, sport organizations, sport personalities and other interested parties were compiled and entered into the account’s contacts listings for use in sending OSIC news and announcements emails.
OSIC Website News. During the USP academic semester, news updates were posted to the OSIC website News page on a regular basis.

MAY – JUNE 2012

The OSIC Coordinator accomplished the following during this reporting period:

- Created an OSIC Work Plan outlining OSIC goals for 2012.
- Gave a presentation about OSIC at the regional ONOC Workshop held in Lami, Suva on Saturday 19th May 2012.
- Attended a 2-hour LibGuides Training on creating digital subject research guides by topic to aid in creating a subject research guide on Oceania Sport and possibly one on general Sport.
- Corresponded with Oceania sport statisticians and increased Oceania sport statistics holdings in OSIC and the USP Library’s Pacific Collection (Pac), including the following.
- Solicited and received from ATFS statistician Bob Snow electronic copies of Pacific Islands Athletic Statistics (PIAS) 1994 issues #1-7; SPG 1991 Results; and PNG Athletic Statistics 1993 issues #1-8, with written permission to print a hard copy of each.
- Responded to information queries on badminton; basketball; bowling; chess; judo, SPG swimming results; PNG Rugby Union; sports biomechanics; and sport participation.
- Met with Ms. Elizabeth Younger of the Ministry of Health, providing information related to physical activity in the general population in response to her query to OSIC.
- Contributed upon request an article about OSIC for the Fiji Library Association Newsletter.
- Wrote a draft proposal for funding the Coordinator’s attendance at the AUSPIN annual workshop and a 3-day placement at NSIC in September for Joan Yee, University Librarian, to complete and submit to ONOC, and hand delivered the proposal to ONOC at her request.
- Corresponded with several Oceania sport organizations who offered to send material for the OSIC holdings.
- Arranged with ONOC and FASANOC to borrow Olympics memorabilia to place in OSIC’s London 2012 Olympic Games library displays to be mounted in July.
- Took photos of the ongoing OSIC resources reorganization for historical purposes.

OSIC Library Display. OSIC’s Library Assistant created and mounted a library display about the 2012 Oceania Regional Athletics Championships in Cairns, Australia.

OSIC Logo/Signage. Work on the new OSIC logo and signs, begun in late 2011, met with numerous delays by the Multimedia Team, including the unexpected departure from USP of the designer who was working on the sign designs. As of the end of June, neither project had been completed.

New Sport Resources. Through gifts and library acquisition, 22 books and 21 journals were added to the USPL collection April - June. The gifts were from ONOC, FASANOC, NSIC and Albert Miller.

JULY – NOVEMBER 9, 2012

During this reporting period, the OSIC Coordinator:

- Overseen completion of the new OSIC logo by USP’s Multimedia Team and its approval by USP Library. Use of it began soon thereafter.
- Attended the AUSPIN Workshop and Annual Meetings at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra, Australia, on 18th-20th September 2012 and completed a three-day Placement at the National Sport Information Centre (NSIC) 21-25 September. The trip was funded entirely by ONOC. Special leave was granted by USP.
- Presented about OSIC and the OSIC services targeted to sport science practitioners, at the National Sport Science Conference held in Suva, Fiji, on Saturday 15th September 2012.
- Continued correspondence with AFTS Oceania Athletics statisticians to increase OSIC’s holdings of Oceania Athletics statistics, primarily of the South Pacific Games and Mini Games resulting in receiving 129 Oceania Athletics official statistics documents, as follows:
  - From Bob Snow:
    - 54 issues (a complete set) of PIAS – Pacific Islands Athletics Statistics
    - 17 SPG Results
    - 9 Mini SPG Results
  - 2 miscellaneous competition results
  - From Tomas Magnusson:
    - 14 SPG Athlete Entrants Lists
  - From Paul Jenes:
    - 16 SPG Results
  - From Fletcher McEwen:
    - 5 Oceania Men’s/Women’s Athletics Statistics
    - 2 miscellaneous competition results
  - Enquired of the Serials Librarian about the subscription cost of EBSCO’s sport e-books. She is following up on it.
  - Contacted AAS Signs and obtained a quotation for producing OSIC signage for the Library. The quotation was sent to Dennis Miller and Robin Mitchell of ONOC for a decision.
- Met with Lorraine Mar of FASANOC to discuss a proposed project of converting 200+ 2003 South Pacific Games live action DVDs to a more format. Followed up by meeting with Javed Yusuf of USP’s Multimedia Team and then arranging a meeting with him, Lorraine, Vidhya Lakhan of FASANOC and the OSIC Coordinator during which plans were finalized. FASANOC is listing the DVDs and writing a proposal for the project, they will deliver the DVDs to
the OSIC Coordinator for follow up with Javed.

- Returned the Olympics memorabilia used in OSIC’s library displays to ONOC and FASANOC on 21st August.
- Arranged with Library IT staff to install Dropbox on the Coordinator’s computer to enable large-file sharing between ONOC and OSIC.
- Wrote a report on AUSPIN Workshop and Annual Meetings attendance and three-day placement with NSIC and delivered it to ONOC and Joan Yee, USP Library.
- Contacted Andreas Amendt, Head of Library, Qatar Olympic & Sports Museum (QGSM), Qatar Museums Authority in Doha, Qatar, resulting in a phone conversation discussing aspects of setting up and categorizing sport information resources with useful suggestions resulting for both.
- Was invited to write an article about OSIC for publication in QGSM’s forthcoming book on the world’s sport information libraries, due in December, a way to showcase OSIC to the sport information community.
- Met with Javed Yusuf of USP’s Multimedia Team, to discuss converting historical Oceania Athletics colour photo slides, part of the Tony Isaacs Collection, to TIFF and JPEG formats for archival and preservation purposes; obtained a quotation to present to ONOC, ONOC approved the project, which should begin in late November 2012.
- Received a gift book for OSIC, Sumo: From Rite to Sport, by P. L. Cuyler, from Katrina Watts, President of the Australian Sumo Federation.
- Drafted and sent to USP’s Multimedia Team a new OSIC library brochure. It will be a tri-fold glossy full-color brochure highlighting OSIC and its services and be available throughout the library and for public relations purposes.
- Responded to information requests on topics including: 1963 SPG athlete from Gilbert & Ellis Islands; 2012 Olympics information; Tara Mango, Oceania athlete; anti-doping programs for youth and athletes; clinical pharmacy; London Olympics; Olympics; Olympics data; PNG Rugby Union early history; rugby news; spiked sport shoes in Oceania; and sports biomechanics.

**OTHER OSIC ACTIVITIES**

**OSIC Library Displays.** OSIC’s Library Assistant created and mounted two library displays during the dates of the London 2012 Olympic Games: *London 2012 Olympic Games* and *2012 Oceania Olympians*. The latter was later moved to a different display cabinet and remained there for several more weeks. ONOC and FASANOC generously lent OSC genuine Olympics memorabilia to use for these displays. Another display, *Women’s Under 17s World Cup*, was mounted during the dates of that competition, 22nd September–13th October.

**Newspaper Clippings.** The OSIC Assistant maintained up-to-date compilation of newspaper clipping and Excel spreadsheet indexing of sport articles from the Fiji Times and Fiji Sun.

**NOVEMBER 10 - DECEMBER 31, 2012**

**Organizing OSIC Resources.** This most essential project is ongoing but experienced numerous delays because of OSIC staff attending to required library responsibilities until the USP Library assigned two “work camp” students to OSIC for 26th November – 21st December 2012. With the very capable work of these students, OSIC finally began and made significant progress on two projects, digitizing and indexing the Tony Isaacs Collection, and organizing and reshelving OSIC’s Olympics bid documents and other Olympics publications. With the assistance of Level A’s two Serials Library Attendants, many of the South Pacific Archives documents were placed in order and reshelved.

**2012 STATISTICS**

Collected statistics are indicators of OSIC activity. Reported below are 2012 OSIC statistics for query requests, use of the OSIC website, use of the SPORTDiscus subscription database paid for by the USP Library, and sport books requested by OSIC and received in the USP Library in 2012.

**Queries.** OSIC’s day-to-day function changed when it acquired a Library service desk in its new location in the thick of activity on the USP Library’s serials level. Thus, **only 11%** of queries received at the Library service desk in OSIC in 2012 were about sport; instead, most were about newspapers and serials, as shown in the table below.

**Note:** These statistics cannot be compared to those reported in prior years (4668 in 2010; 783 in 2009; and 3237 in 2008, etc.) because of differences in what was counted as an information request prior to and following 3 October 2011, when the new Coordinator joined OSIC.

**2012 OSIC Queries**

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**OSC Website.** The website’s statistics calculator recorded the following number of page requests and traffic for 2012. The 15,004 page requests for 2012 exceeded those of any previous year: 9786 in 2011, 12361 in 2010, and 10557 in 2008, the first full year after the website was launched.

**2012 OSIC Website Use**

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**SPORT Discus with Full-Text.** The January 2012–December 2012 total sessions and searches are shown in the table below, a dramatic increase over the 801 Sessions and 3379 Searches in 2011.

**SPORTDiscus Use 2012**

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Sport Books Requested by OSIC and Received in 2012. Although referred to as the “OSIC Collection,” sport books requested by OSIC are purchased by USP Library and are owned by them, shelved in their book collection and lent only to USP Library members and via Inter-Library Loan transactions. They are not available to the vast majority of OSIC constituents. Note: A gap of up to several months between placing a request and receipt of a book is normal. This is the first time OSIC has reported on this activity in an Annual Report.

**2012 Books**

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