



Newsletter

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COMMITTEE

HIGHLIGHTS

A committee meeting was held on October 14th at Birmingham airport.

Our finances are in good order and we are looking for ways to use our funds productively.

Membership currently stands at 60.

All current committee members were elected less than two years ago so no elections are required this year.

We are exploring new ways of linking labs together and there will be a launch event for this in March.

We are continuing to build links with ESMAC.

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First CMAS Newsletter

We have just held our first mid-year committee meeting at Birmingham airport. Getting together gave us the opportunity to catch up on the things which have been happening since last March.

We now want to explore ways of passing that information on to members, and we came up with the idea of a newsletter, this being the first issue.

We intend to produce a simple newsletter, about every 6 months. We would appreciate your feedback on the format and content.

At the moment our main efforts are going into the Working Groups and Meetings (see below), but we are aware that many issues affect the Movement Analysis Community and we are trying to keep up to date

with developments.

Please let us know what you think of this Newsletter, and the direction of CMAS as a whole. Discussions at the AGM are, by necessity, short and functional. We have the opportunity to think about things in greater depth through the year.

CMAS Committee

5th Annual Meeting - Newcastle '06

PROGRAMME

Thursday March 23rd

Afternoon user group meetings.
Evening reception and dinner at the Centre for Life.

Friday March 24th

Main meeting at the Freeman Hospital.



Abstracts are invited on,

Gait analysis beyond CP

Energy measurement in movement analysis.

Submission by January 13th.

Notification February 3rd.

Registration will be open from January 16th to March 13th.

Web page: <http://www.cmasuki.org/agmpages/agm2006.htm>

Email: agm2006@cmasuki.org

6th Annual Meeting

We are currently looking for a venue for the Annual Meeting in March 2007. Is anyone interested in hosting this event? We have an information pack available to help future planners, with outline budgets and timetables.

If you are interested please contact Caroline (Caroline.Stewart@rjah.nhs.uk) for more information.

Standards Working Group

In June 2005 a workshop was held in Oxford at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre to discuss audit of gait labs. This was facilitated by staff from the clinical audit team at the Nuffield. During the session we focused on conducting an internal audit of compliance of the lab to the standards. Some initial audit sheets were put to-

gether by the group during the session. Following the session pairs that had worked on each standards audit sheet finalised this and they were all circulated to and agreed by the group.

These audit sheets have now been circulated to all labs and we have requested

that each lab should return three completed sheets by the end of November, together with any comments. This will be followed by another workshop in Oxford in January to address issues raised by this, discuss external audit and accreditation.

Three free months !

Membership

We have decided to move the membership renewal date from January to March to coincide with the AGM. This means that current members will have their membership extended.

We are also going to offer a membership and meeting fee combined, at a reduced rate, in order to encourage people to join up. The two will also be offered separately for those who wish to join CMAS without attending the meeting and vice versa.

Education and Training Subgroup

Education

Following the AGM in March, a working group was formed to consider issues relating to education and training. E-mail discussions and an informal meeting at the recent ESMAC conference followed. It was agreed by the members of the working group that CMAS should promote courses cover-

ing some or all of the educational areas raised in previous discussions, an example being the correspondence course in motion analysis that will be offered by Ms Sheila Gibbs and her colleagues from Dundee University from next year.

Training

With regards to training issues, Adam Shortland has produced a draft list of the competencies that would be useful for someone working in motion analysis. These are being considered by the working group and we hope to be able to report our progress in the next AGM.

The Back Page

We have space on the back page for members thoughts and comments.

Please let us know if you have any issues you wish to raise, or questions for other laboratories.

How have you been affected by,

National Tariffs?

Knowledge and Skills Framework?

Agenda for Change?

All these were discussed at the committee meeting and implementation obviously varies around the country.

Laboratory Reps

We are collating a list of contact points for the gait labs in the UK and Ireland. If you have not let us have the contact detail for your laboratory please could you send them to Caroline?
(Caroline.Stewart@rjah.nhs.uk).

There will be a second opportunity to register on the registration form for next year's meeting.

Dates for your diary

Standards Audit Meeting

Oxford

January 25th 2006

5th Annual meeting of CMAS

Newcastle

March 23rd-24th 2006

JAGM '06

Joint meeting of European and American Societies

Amsterdam

September 25th-30th 2006

www.jegm06.org



Clinical Movement Analysis Society
UK and Ireland

www.cmasuki.org

CMAS grew out of a fledgling organization known as **GLUK** (Gait Labs UK). The inaugural meeting was held in 2002 in Birmingham and annual meetings have taken place every year since.

The society represents many professional groups, including physiotherapists, clinical scientists and engineers, orthopaedic surgeons, paediatricians and researchers, with a common interest in movement analysis.

There is more information about **CMAS** and **Movement Analysis** on our website.