



## *IAA Study Group 6.7 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Space Era 2007*

### ***Information Note No 16***

#### **1. Introduction**

**This IAA SG 6.7 Information Note No 16 is the last and final one to be issued by this IAA study group.**

The IAA SG 6.7 (or the *IAA History Study Group*) was created in 2005 to fill the gap after the closure of the SG 6.4 History Study Group and it has now fulfilled its original objectives, i.e. to highlight the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of space exploration at the 2007 IAA History Symposium and secure the publication of the IAA History Symposia Proceedings. The study group report, the 2007 IAA 41<sup>st</sup> History Symposium Proceedings, will shortly be with the Series Editor and soon ready for publication.

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and one of you for having had the privilege to work with you on this very important mission “to save the history of our rocket and space activities” for future generations. It was a genuine pleasure to work with all of you! And I sincerely do hope that the activities of the SG 6.7, and those of all of you, have helped to achieve the important goal of secure the future publication of our IAA History Symposia Proceedings. We now have all manuscripts up to 2007 with the Series Editor, and with the resent publication of the 2002 volume we have been able to catch up with the backlog fairly well. And here, great thanks to the Editorial Team (Rick Sturdevant and Joni Wilson) and to the publisher Robert Jacobs at Univelt.*

*I hope that many of you will come to our last study group meeting in Prague and thus give me the chance to thank you each personally.*

The newly formed permanent IAA History Ctee has now to take over all IAA history relevant activities, and I wish you all great success under the new leadership.

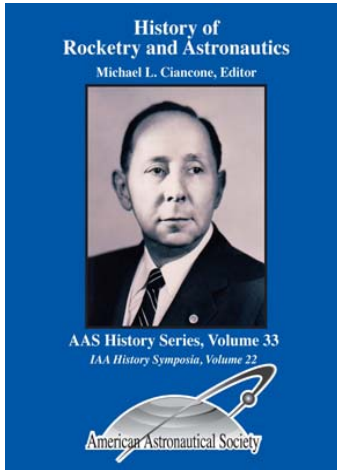
#### **2. The final Study Group 6.7 meeting**

**The IAA Study Group 6.7 last meeting will be held in Prague during the 2010 IAC on Tuesday 28 September, 2010 from 14:00 to 16:00, in Room 3.41.**

***Looking forward to a large audience for this final meeting!***

**3. IAA History Symposia Proceedings**

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Great thanks to the Volume Editor Mike Ciancone and the whole Editorial team!!!!  
AND to Bob Jacobs at Univelt!!!!

**4. 44<sup>th</sup> History Symposium, Prague**

31 papers were accepted at the IPC for four sessions in Prague:

E4.1 IAA 50th Anniversary. 4 papers. Half session on Wednesday 29 September, pm

E4.2 Memoirs and Organisational Histories. 10 papers. Thursday 30 September, pm

E4.3 Scientific and Technical History. 9 papers. Thursday 30 September, pm

E4.4 History of Contributions to Astronautics of former Czechoslovakia. 8 papers.

Friday 1 October, am

***Note: Some of the sessions have been moved a day forward in the programme compared with earlier preliminary information from the Paris March IPC!!***

The Session 1 oral-video presentation interview with Les Shepherd, the only academician out of the first group elected and alive today, on the creation of the IAA 50 years ago, has been successfully completed. The interview was performed by John Becklake, and he will have the opportunity to personally present this interview and it is planned to include this “paper” in the proceedings by means of a DVD.

September 1, 2010

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