PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUTRITION SOCIETY

The Summer Meeting of the Nutrition Society was held at the University of Ulster at Coleraine on 24–28 June, 1996

International Committee of the Nutrition Society (ICONS) meeting report

Information and support for overseas members

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The meeting was chaired by Sue New and attended by about twenty-five people. Its purpose was to discuss the current and future activities of the International Committee of the Nutrition Society.

Ann Burgess reported that, since the 1995 Summer Meeting, ICONS had sent proposals to Council for the reorganization of the Committee, had distributed two new Information Sheets (No. 5 *Journals for Scientific Papers* and No. 6 *Sources of Training Materials*) and had prepared the first draft of Sheet No. 7 *Sources of Funding*. Adapted versions of several Sheets and a book list had been sent to the British Council for their libraries and Sheet No. 6 had been published by *SCN News* (1995) Issue No. 13. It is hoped that, in addition to paper versions, the Sheets will be included on the proposed Nutrition Society web site.

Elizabeth Poskitt suggested that a useful Sheet would be one listing institutions in 'developing' countries which are willing to accept students from Europe for their electives/ overseas study requirements.

Several participants made suggestions on how to improve the hospitality and networking opportunities for people attending Nutrition Society meetings for the first time, especially those from 'overseas'. The meeting recommended that everyone attending the Summer Meeting be given a list of participants and their addresses/institutions. John Mathers said that a list of Nutrition Society members is to be issued soon and that, in future, the programme would carry the addresses of all speakers.