### Best Practices Report



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## Survey Results

Our primary means of communication with members is through the CALS listserv. Which features of the listserv do you find most useful?



*	NOT AT ALL USEFUL	SOMEWHAT USEFUL	USEFUL 🔻	VERY USEFUL •	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
<ul> <li>Conference announcements</li> </ul>	1.37% 1	8.22% 6	21.92% 16	68.49% 50	) 73
<ul> <li>Job postings</li> </ul>	12.86% 9	22.86% 16	22.86% 16	41.43% 29	70
<ul> <li>Book announcements</li> </ul>	10.14% 7	31.88% 22	39.13% 27	18.84% 13	69
<ul> <li>Tables of contents of recently released journals</li> </ul>	5.56% 4	18.06% 13	51.39% 37	25.00% 18	72
<ul> <li>Opportunities to become more involved in CALS</li> </ul>	5.48% 4	31.51% 23	43.84% 32	20.55% 15	73
<ul> <li>Announcements from other leisure organizations</li> </ul>	1.37% 1	23.29% 17	57.53% 42	17.81% 13	73
<ul> <li>Requests for feedback on issues related to the field</li> </ul>	5.63% 4	35.21% 25	42.25% 30	<b>16.90%</b> 12	71



## What other features and/or types of information would you like to see the CALS listserv provide?

I would like to see the list serve's automatic "reply all" setting changed to an automatic "reply" [to just sender]. Please make this a priority change! People unsubscribe due to the "reply all" setting

Jobs

Opportunities for students (e.g. jobs, research, scholarships, etc.)

Other Association Corner (a more focused and streamlined way to receive or see information from other associations - jobs, conferences, etc.)

Major research funding awards received by CALS members

Anything that connects CALS and TALS members

Announcements re: new hires in RLS at Canadian universities

Announcement for journal special issues

CfP for special issues are always great to see; I also enjoy seeing celebratory messages of colleagues' awards, commendations, and achievements! I also enjoy seeing grant funding opportunities from time to time.



We are in the process of updating the CALS website. Currently, we have information about CALS, the Board of Directors, and a link to the journal. What other information do you think should be on the website to better serve our membership?

Spaces for specific issues allowing discussions or question

Links to other leisure organization web sites around the world

Funding options

Perhaps a blog section, where academics or practitioners are invited to provide a 1000 word story on a relevant topic, problem, etc It would be helpful to have past CALS conferences listed and also access to an e-copy of the proceedings from those conferences although these may be difficult to find now.

A list of member institutions and what degree programs they provide could make searching for a program easier for students. As much information about conferences as possible.



# In addition to CALS, what other leisure-related organizations are you a member of or involved in? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	•	RESPONSES	*
<ul> <li>The Academy of Leisure Sciences (TALS)</li> </ul>		61.40%	35
<ul> <li>Leisure Studies Association (LSA)</li> </ul>		38.60%	22
<ul> <li>Australia and New Zealand Association for Leisure Studies (ANZALS)</li> </ul>		21.05%	12
✓ World Leisure (WL)		40.35%	23
<ul> <li>North American Society for Sport Management (NASSM)</li> </ul>		12.28%	7
<ul> <li>Travel and Tourism Research Association (TTRA)</li> </ul>		17.54%	10
<ul> <li>Canadian Therapeutic Recreation Association (CTRA)</li> </ul>		15.79%	9
Total Respondents: 57			

Comments (19)



# What leisure-related conferences/events have you attended in the last 3 years? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	SES 🔻
<ul> <li>Canadian Congress on Leisure Research (CCLR – the triennial CALS gathering)</li> </ul>	86.67%	52
<ul> <li>CALS Research Symposium at the annual Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences (e.g., Regina in 2018, Vancouver in 2019)</li> </ul>	36.67%	22
<ul> <li>The Academy of Leisure Sciences (TALS) Conference</li> </ul>	23.33%	14
<ul> <li>Leisure Sciences Association (LSA) Annual Conference</li> </ul>	28.33%	17
✓ World Leisure Conference	16.67%	10
<ul> <li>ANZALS Biennial Conference</li> </ul>	8.33%	5
<ul> <li>North American Society for Sport Management (NASSM) Conference</li> </ul>	8.33%	5
<ul> <li>Travel and Tourism Research Association (TTRA)</li> </ul>	6.67%	4
<ul> <li>Canadian Therapeutic Recreation Association (CPRA)</li> </ul>	16.67%	10
Total Respondents: 60		

#### Comments (20)



# Which of the following forms of social media do you think CALS should use to communicate with its membership? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	▼ RESPONSES	*
▼ Twitter	50.00%	32
<ul> <li>Instagram</li> </ul>	20.31%	13
<ul> <li>Facebook</li> </ul>	40.63%	26
✓ YouTube	10.94%	7
✓ CALS listserv	82.81%	53
Total Respondents: 64		

Comments (11)



### Are you a...?

ANSWER CHOICES	•
▼ Student 11.43%	8
Researcher/educator based at a university or college     81.43%	57
<ul> <li>Recreation professional</li> <li>5.71%</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>Researcher at a not-for-profit or government agency</li> <li>1.43%</li> </ul>	1
TOTAL	70

Comments (4)



# Which of the following CALS activities are of interest to you? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	▼ RESPONSES	*	
<ul> <li>Membership on the CALS Board</li> </ul>	37.50%	18	
<ul> <li>Membership on a committee of the Board</li> </ul>	56.25%	27	
✓ Advocacy	43.75%	21	
<ul> <li>Hosting/organizing a conference</li> </ul>	25.00%	12	
<ul> <li>Contributing content to a CALS newsletter/webpage</li> </ul>	39.58%	19	
Total Respondents: 48			

Comments (7)



Do you have any suggestions for ways in which CALS could better serve you in the future (e.g., networking opportunities, advocacy, linking with other organizations)?

Networking opportunities

I URGE CALS to address the editorial leadership of its journal, Leisure/Loisir. I truly do appreciate the long service commitment of the longtime editor, but I'm afraid Leisure/Loisir has suffered tremendously under his leadership. Leisure/Loisir ought to be one of the top journals in the field, but because of its unacceptably long review period and its lack of interest in impact factor, it has become an afterthought, at best, for many scholars who largely choose to submit to other higher impact outlets.

I'm not sure how others might feel about this because I am not currently working in Canada, but I would like to see a bit more collaboration between CALS and other organizations, specifically TALS. It seems that some things could be more efficient if done jointly.



Please do something about Leisure/Loisir. The amount of time it takes to get from submission to publication is unconscionable.

### **Best Practices**



NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT MANAGEMENT



## The Academy of Leisure Sciences





Canadian Association for Leisure Studies Association canadienne d'études en loisir



### Recommendations

1. A well-defined mission statement that is easily visible on the home screen of the website

2. Membership information that makes it very easy for people to purchase online

3. Events and conferences tab that outlines upcoming conference dates, call for papers, and

photos of past conferences

4. Integrated social media on website that provides real time updates



# 1. A well-defined mission statement that is easily visible on the home screen of the website



### NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT MANAGEMENT

The purpose of the Society shall be to promote, stimulate, and encourage study, research, scholarly writing, and professional development in the area of sport management

#### The Academy of Leisure Sciences

The central purpose of the Academy is the intellectual advancement of leisure sciences



To encourage and support the development of leisure research and teaching through scholarly debate, the exchange of ideas and the publication of new knowledge, and through enhancing the profile of leisure studies, particularly in Australia and New Zealand



# 2. Membership information that makes it very easy for people to purchase online





NASSM

on Friday

A note to our professional members: If you haven't voted for Executive Council

positions yet, today is the last day to do sol Once you

Members/Elections.

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#### **Current Members**

- As a current member of NASSM, you are entitled to the following benefits:
- Bimonthly online issues of the Journal of Sport Management (January, March, May, July, September, and November).
- 2. A member discount on NASSM Conference fees.
- 3. Access to the member services section of this web site.





#### The Academy of Leisure Sciences

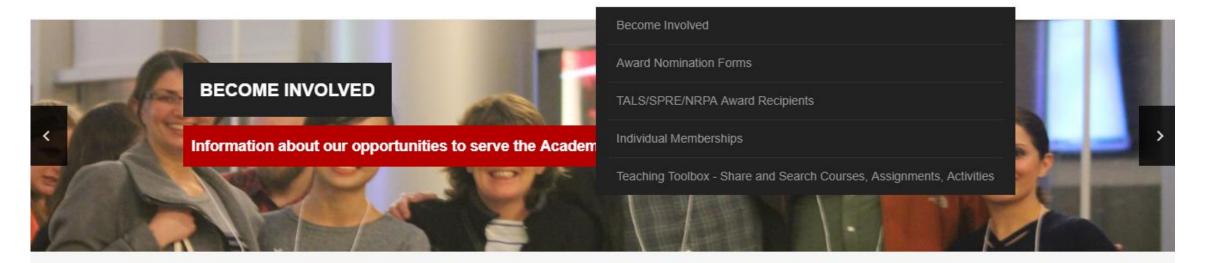
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### Website Registration

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#### **ANZALS Website Registration**

To gain access to any secure content within the ANZALS website you must first register using the below form. Once you have registered and have created your personal user credentials (Username & Password), one of our website administrators will review your request and let you know when your account is ready.

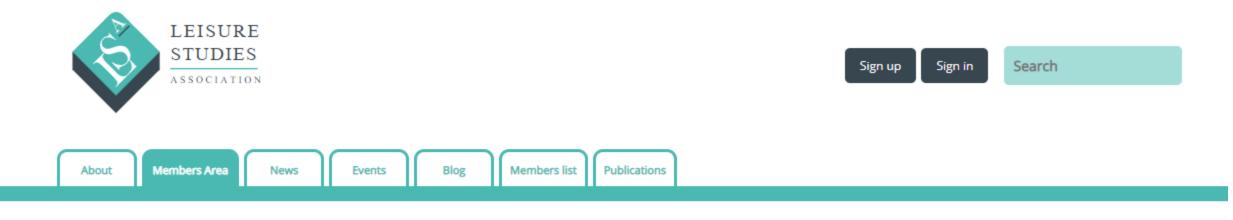
#### Already an ANZALS member

If you have valid current membership then all you need to do is register using the below registration form. An ANZALS website administrator will review and respond via email letting you know when your ANZALS website account is ready to use.

#### New ANZALS members

New ANZALS members will need to choose and purchase a membership plan, as well as complete the registration form below to become a member of the ANZALS website. An ANZALS website administrator will review and respond via email letting you know when your ANZALS website account is ready to use.





Not a member yet?

Why not sign up for a range of benefits:

Be part of a community of leisure scholars and use this website to search via keywords and start collaborations!

Be added to our members only Jiscmail (to share your own announcements) and receive regular updates from the association via our e-digest.

Access to members only area of the website for publications and resources.

Access a reduced rate for conferences and Leisure Studies Journal.

Apply for our knowledge exchange and research funds.

Enter your students for our dissertation prizes where they can win £100 and a chance to present at our conference.



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### **The Academy of Leisure Sciences**

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On Tuesday, May 7, 2019, the website will be intermittently accessible for a few hours as we update the backend of the site. The update will be complete as soon as this message disappears. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

#### Congress

#### The Academy of Leisure Sciences' Congress on Research and Teaching 2020

The 2020 TALS Congress on Research and Teaching will take place on the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign from February 11 to February 14, 2020.

It will begin with a Bannon lecture and Sagamore-Venture social on the afternoon of Tuesday, February 11 and end on the afternoon of Friday, February 14th.

Pre-conference workshops will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 10th and 11th.





## NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT MANAGEMENT



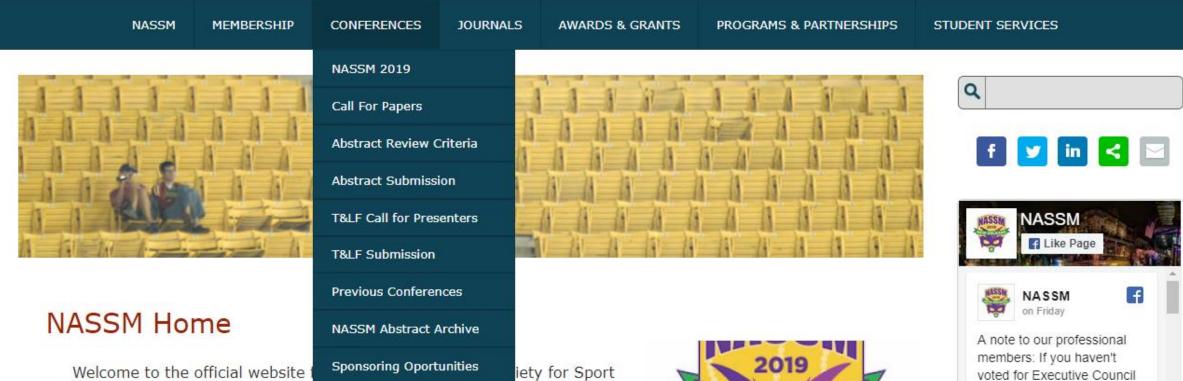
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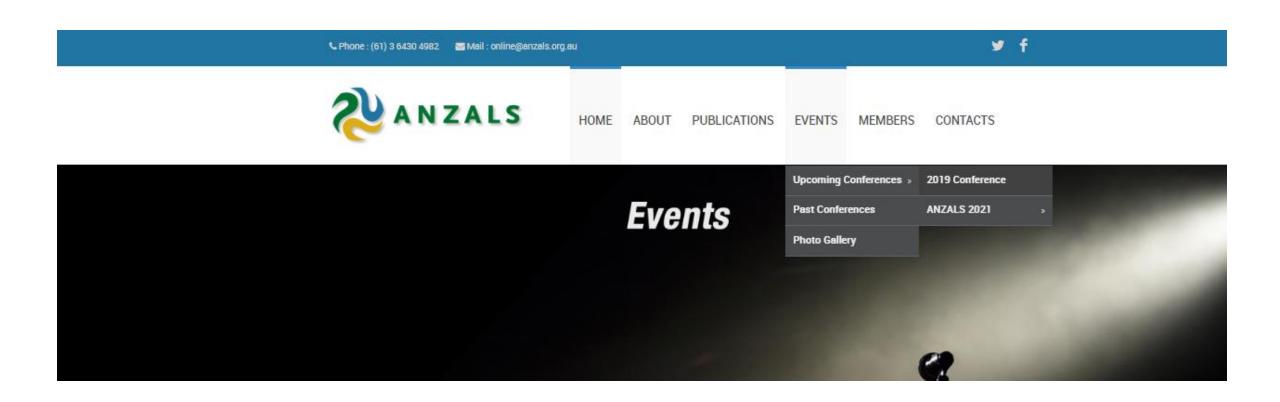
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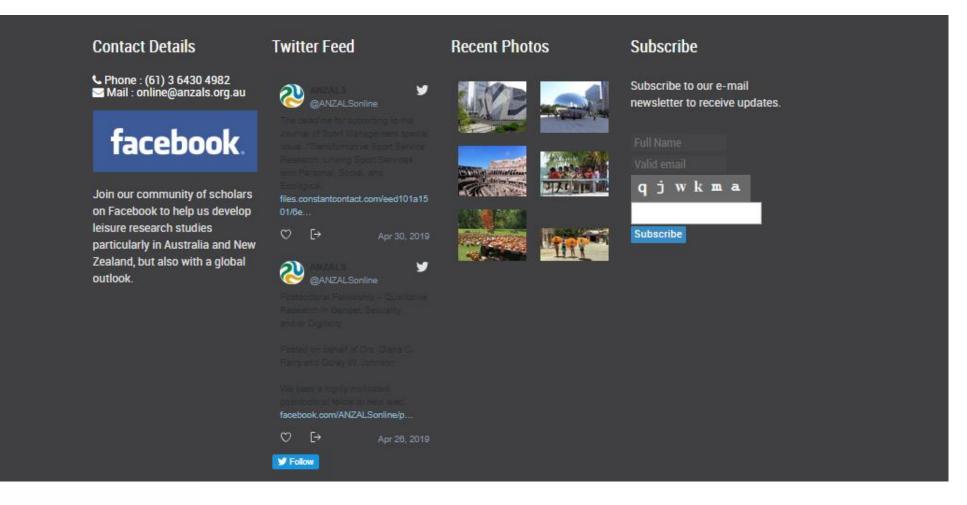
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## 4. Integrated social media on website that provides real time updates on tweets





## Recommendations for new website



## CALS Canadian Association for Leisure Studies Association canadienne d'études en loisir

CALS Home	Welcome to the website of the
About CALS	Canadian Association for Leisure Studies/
Congresses	Association canadienne d'études en loisir (CALS)
Publications	CALS is an organization of Canadian and international scholars and practitioners who
People	share an interest in recreation and leisure research and the delivery of leisure services, and who meet once every three years at the Canadian Congress on Leisure Research.
Documents	The CALS website provides you with information about the Association and its
Links	activities. You also will find links to Canadian and international sites associated with the
AHS Home	field of recreation and leisure studies, of both an academic and an applied nature.
	CALS Background and Functions
	CALS was founded at the Third Canadian Congress on Leisure Research, held at the University of Alberta, in 1981. Tim Burton, a two-time President of CALS, has written a brief history of the Association.
	Membership in CALS is automatically awarded to everyone who attends a Canadian Congress on Leisure Research, although other membership arrangements are possible.
	News and Events



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CANADIAN BASED	YES	YES	NO
STORAGE SPACE	UNLIMITED	100 GB	10 GB
DOMAIN REGISTRATION, UNLIMITED EMAIL ACCOUNTS, UNLIMITED BANDWIDTH	YES	YES	YES