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me of my experience in Torino and how important it was to smile and to help the athletes and officials as much as possible. It was also very nice and relaxing to see familiar faces and meet IOAPA members both in Torino and Melbourne.

In the space of one month I had the opportunity to be an official and volunteer in two different international sport events. I cherish both experiences amongst the best possible experiences in my whole life, second only to the birth of my two daughters who are the best thing that ever happened in my life.

I love sports, I love the Olympic movement. I love being a volunteer at these events and I look forward to being of service once again in future editions of such sporting events. As IOAPA members each and every one of us has a lot to give during these events. We have the experience and above all the necessary knowledge to give a great service to the Olympic Movement. Give it a shot and try to make it at the next games in Beijing or Vancouver. The experience that you will make will remain embedded in your heart for all your life.

Carlo Farrugia

## **Torino 2006 Reunions**

IOAPA members gathered twice during the Winter Games. The reunions were held at the Starhotel Majestic in Corso Vittorio Emanuele in Torino on February 11 and 16. IOAPA was represented by Héctor Argüelles (website officer) and Carlo Farrugia (trasurer) respectively. In those reunions IOAPA members had the opportunity to exchange their experiences in the games and to renew old friendship over drinks.

Some IOAPA members reported problems getting to the reunions due to traffic congestion near the hotel. Notwithstanding that, the gatherings were a success.

