From the Coordinators Pen:

Dear Members,

Warm Greetings to you,

You are receiving the joint issue of July and October now. Although, we are able to lay hands on good research papers and useful articles for publication in IWJ, getting sponsorship help from the industry has been very difficult. While a lot of



efforts have been put in contacting all major industries and distributors in the welding field, very little response has been received. It is a matter of concern for all of us that IWJ which is the main medium of communication with our members is not self sustaining. The resources of our Institute is also very small and unless good industry support is available, IWJ will keep suffering. On behalf of the central council, I request all the members to come forward and support IWJ.

In this issue, we have excellent research papers. The first article discusses, the impact performance of model spot welded stainless steel structures. With vide use of spot welding for stainaless steel in various applications, this paper provides a lot of information. Dissimilar Metal Welding (DMW) has always been a subject of interest to welding technologists and users.

The article "Pay attention to Dissimilar Metal Welds" by Richard E. Avery gives useful tips for handling DMW.

Computer aided pulsed current GMA welding of aluminum alloys by Dr. P.K. Ghosh and others Presents the work carried out in this area jointly with the German Institute.

Apart from a no. of research papers, useful articles and technical information have been presented in this issue.

We place on record our sincere thanks to Dr. Ramesh Gopal of ISSDA for helping us with interesting research papers.

Yours Sincerely,

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