our journal starts today the sixth month from the day it was conceived (November 6, 2019) and the third month from when it is online (February 3, 2020). The quarantine has not stopped us and our work has very intensified.

- **Papers.** In addition to the 9 papers already published (issues 0/20 *Birth of a Journal* and 1/20 *Military Cartography*) we have so far received 23 papers, of which 13 already approved and provisionally published online ([https://www.nam-sism.org/3.1%20articoli.html](https://www.nam-sism.org/3.1%20articoli.html)), 3 approved and under review by the Authors and 7 under referee. By the end of April another 8 papers are coming, which will bring the total to 40. I am attaching, among the 13 that we have recently added online, the two that for their content and the international prestige of the authors best qualify issues 2/20 and 3/20.

- **Issues.** For the month of June we plan to publish issues 2/20 *Ancient MH* (9 papers and 3 reviews) and 3/20 *Modern MH* (9 papers and 5 reviews). Issue 4/20 *Contemporary MH* (10/12 papers and 4/6 reviews) is scheduled for September. We committed to Prof. Settia, Musarra and Merlo the planning of Issue 1/21 *Medieval MH*.

- **How to study.** Two Journals also kindly allowed us to republish in the "how to study military history" section two important papers (by Floribert Baudet and Ian van der Waag) on the history and epistemology of MH.

- **International network.** We have made further contact with numerous scholars from various countries and the British Commission of Military History has kindly reported our Journal to its members. We are very grateful to Jeremy Martin Black and Luigi Loreto for the daily encouragement and support in promoting NAM and we are grateful to how many other members of the scientific council and advisory board believe they want to follow their example.

- **Book Reviews.** We have also received 6 large reviews and numerous others are being developed by the student groups of the universities of Padua (Arsa Militari) and Bologna (Casus Belli) who have organized themselves for the self-managed scientific study of MH, helas practicable neither in Italian universities nor in Italian defense education network. We have made a page of our site available to them ([https://www.nam-sism.org/7.1%20cadet%20corps.html](https://www.nam-sism.org/7.1%20cadet%20corps.html)).

- **"Fvchina di Marte" series.** On March 3, we delivered to the publisher Aracne the PDF ready for printing of the second volume of the series, edited by Prof. Elina Gugliuzzo and Giuseppe Restifo (*Una battaglia Europea: Francavilla di Sicilia 20 June 1719*). The publication is scheduled for May 9. Prof. Yann Le Bohec is finishing the editing of the third volume, a collection of his writings on the Gallic war. We expect for September to be able to prepare the PDF ready for printing. As a fourth volume, we plan to publish by 2020 the doctoral thesis of dr. Tanganelli on the Austro-Italian regiments (Clerici and Toskanisches IR) in the Seven Years War.

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