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President's Message –

Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza, President jilunda@linfield.edu

As I type these words, a strong storm front batters the trees and copious rainfall hits the windows. Perfect fall weather to reminisce on the wonderful time (and weather) we enjoyed while in Natal! It was the sort of gathering that ensconces itself in one's heart. For good. I will mention some highlights as I comment on the healthy state of IAPS and the bright future ahead (as much to elicit fond memories for those who attended as to make those unable to come wish they had been there).

The first item in the line up is to recognize Alberto Reppold's hard work as onsite organizer, as well as that of his team, especially Bebel Marques (and Jim Parry as his sidekick). We were treated like royalty—only better because we did not have to tend to pesky royal affairs. John Gleaves' able scheduling also made for a very successful and well-balanced conference where there was ample opportunity for collegiality, scholarship, and more. The hotel and conference venue were outstanding, with amazing views of the ocean from the rooms, delicious and abundant buffets, and way too many good social times to recount. While it was a small conference in terms of numbers, the positive side is that this led to very meaningful and genuine interactions among those present. Regardless of our past histories, we left much better friends with all than before. What can be better than that? The photograph shows the view we had to endure, sun and all...

If you would like to either court the lair of nostalgia or simply grow the fangs of envy, click on the link (or cut and paste it) and see some great photographs (courtesy of local organizers):

https://www.facebook.com/iaps2014brazil/photos_stream

Of note is that this year marked the first time IAPS met in South America, and that ALFiD, the Latin Association for Philosophy and Sport (Asociación Latina de Filosofía del Deporte), was run in parallel with presentations in Portuguese and Spanish. The social times we all enjoyed, whether at the *fórró*, where everyone danced the night away, or the other merrymaking activities saw a wonderful blend of both conferences socializing as one.



Next on the agenda is to recognize both outgoing and incoming officers. I thank on all our behalf Members-at-Large Lisa Edwards and Pam Sailors, and Elections Chair Mike Austin. They have contributed much in their tenure, and we are all the better because of their efforts. The new hands on deck are John Gleaves, who was elected as Conference Chair after gracefully accepting to be interim chair, Members-at-Large Kenneth Aggerholm and Ana Zimmermann, Pam Sailors, who comes back as elections chair), and Vegard Fusche Moe, who joins the HAFS committee. I look forward to working with them.

One of my favorite parts to write in this newsletter comes up now: the awards. Special circumstances led to the very happy occasion to celebrate not one but two *Distinguished Service Awards*. These went to two members who have done so much to improve the profession and our

association that should the size of the plaque have to match their contributions, they would have needed to ship theirs on a big boat: Mike McNamee and Cesar Torres were the very deserving and proud recipients. I extend your collective congratulations to them. As far as the *Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award*, John Russell treated us to one of those papers that mark a before and an after in scholarship. His paper on “Resilience,” which argued for resilience as *the sportive virtue par excellence*, has opened a new and rich line of inquiry. Warren Fraleigh can surely be proud that the award bestowed in his honor is a door to such magnificent work.

The three keynotes delivered were delightful and led to vigorous discussions: Dan Hutto (who is a force unto himself) showed the rich possibilities that radical enactivism brings to sport, Teresa Lacerda regaled us with an inspiring presentation on beauty, sublimity and sport, while Mike McNamee delivered a game-changing keynote on disability.

Some ‘business’ items, exciting in their own, come up next. The executive was busy approving a number of initiatives. Student Travel Awards, thanks to the generosity of many of you (and here I entreat you to do so again or anew), the healthy state of our finances, and the capable management by Charlene Weaving, were raised to \$500 USD. This is the first time that the executive distributed grants to local organizers totaling \$5,000 USD, which helped defray registration costs, and improve the package that keynotes receive. Along these lines, it was decided that future invited keynotes will receive \$500USD for travel costs in addition to transportation to and from the airport, accommodation and registration. Dennis Hemphill is chairing an ad hoc committee on the Social Impact of Sport Philosophy, and Jim Parry and Cesar Torres are the first ‘recruits.’ Contact him for suggestions or queries. Next year will see the revamping of our website in terms of content. We will begin to archive and reflect our member’ activities, whether it be publications, organization of events, and other items. Stay tuned and ready to show the vibrant community that IAPS is!

Our association was also represented in conferences the world over. Doug McLaughlin and Shaun Klein organized IAPS sessions at their pertinent regional American Philosophical Association meetings.

Next year (see CFP below) we will meet in Cardiff, Wales. Mark the dates on your calendar: September 3 to the 5, 2015 (Wednesday to Saturday). Wales is of the richest berths of activity in sport philosophy. In a way it is very much like Natal, with the beautiful coastline, the raging sea... if you take off 10 Celsius degrees colder! Bring a wetsuit then, I look forward to seeing you there!

Before signing off, I would like to encourage you to renew your membership for 2015. You will be spared our nagging. A couple of clicks will take you there: <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/>

In the meantime, my wishes for an unusually and fall that leads to a wondrous holiday season.

Joyfully and Respectfully yours,

Jesús Ilundáin

Secretary-Treasurer Message

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Greetings, I would like to highlight that arising from the 2014 Executive and AGM is the following policy: All presenters at the annual IAPS conferences (beginning in 2015), **MUST BE** IAPS members in good standing in order to participate.

IAPS MEMBERSHIP

Please note that your 2014 IAPS membership will expire on December 31, 2014. You will be sent **renewal notice(s)**, from Human Kinetics beginning next month-- **November 2014**, reminding you to renew for the upcoming year (2015). <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/>

We encourage you to please keep your IAPS membership up to date and ensure you email address and mailing address are current.

We also remind you that there is the option when you renew to donate to the *Student Travel Awards*. Thank you for supporting this important and critical endeavor.

As of the end of September 2014, **IAPS has 148 members**. Let's try and make it to 175 in 2015!

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News from The Journal of the Philosophy of Sport

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A few important items for your attention:

1. Publication dates for 2015, Volume 42, Issues 1-3: March, July, and October. The March issue will contain the usual special section, plus any backlogged articles that there is room for.

2. Teamwork Special Section for 2015. The teamwork special section will be published formally in March 2015. However, Paul Gaffney's lead article is already on-line, as are nearly all of the discussants' responses. Paul's response to his critics should be available on-line by the end of the year. The format of having a lead article and responses and then a response by the author of the lead article allowed for quite a bit of progress in a brief period of time on a surprisingly neglected topic. Have a look at the articles: [Click here](#) and then on the "Latest Articles" tab. Thanks to everyone who participated. My guess is that this special section will mark the beginning of a rich on-going dialogue on this topic.

3. Festschrift for Robert Simon. The editorial board agreed at its meeting in Natal in September to devote the first issue in 2016 (usually the special section issue) to a tribute to Robert Simon's contributions to philosophy of sport. Bob has just retired from Hamilton College and it seemed a fitting occasion to recognize his profound influence on the discipline. Scott Kretchmar has agreed to serve as guest editor for this issue.

4. Paul Gaffney has kindly agreed to take over as *JPS* editor in the fall of 2015. The executive will formally nominate him next summer for ratification by the IAPS membership. We are very lucky to have Paul take over. Please extend your thanks to him for his willingness to serve in this role.

All the best to everyone as we head into exam crunch time and then the holiday season.

2015 IAPS Conference Cardiff, Wales, September 2-5, 2015

Important message from John Gleaves, Conference chair

From the beaches of Brazil to the Capital of Wales... We are thrilled to announce that the 2015 conference will be in Cardiff, U.K. Organizing will be Alun Hardman along with Lisa Edwards and Carwyn Jones from the Cardiff Metropolitan University. Despite IAPS's strong presence in the United Kingdom, it has been over a decade since our conference has visited the U.K. Please look forward to a forthcoming "Call for Papers," in the next few weeks with abstracts due on March 31, 2015.

2014 Natal, Brazil, IAPS Conference September 3-6, 2014

The annual IAPS conference, held this year in Natal, Brazil, was something special. Held concurrently with the AFLiD conference, the organization's journey to Brazil marked the first time IAPS had hosted its annual conference in South America thanks to the work of Alberto Reppold, Jim Pary and the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sur. A diverse group from five continents and 18 countries enjoyed the 51 papers as well as the keynote presentations by Daniel Hutto, Teresa Lacerda, and Mike McNamee, as well as the Warren Fraleigh address by John Russell. With good meals, an excellent venue, and wonderful hosts, colleagues discussed philosophy of sport between trips to the beach, football matches, and the evening *Forro*. A special thanks to those that made the conference possible as the trip to Brazil was certainly a memorable and important conference for all who attended

Call for Future IAPS Conference Site Proposals

The Honors, Awards, and Future Sites (HAFS) committee still is interested in receiving proposals to host the 2016 IAPS conference. The Committee encourages all those who are interested in hosting a conference in 2016 to submit a proposal. Guidelines and forms to assist in the preparation of proposals are available on the IAPS website (<http://www.iaps.net/conference>). Questions and completed site proposals should be submitted to the chair of the HAFS Committee, which for 2013-2014 is Sarah Teetzel, and submissions can be sent to sarah.teetzel@umanitoba.ca. For the sake of fair review and scheduling, the HAFS committee (Kevin Krein, Arno Mueller, Mizuho Takemura, and Sarah Teetzel) will give preference to site proposals received before November 1 of the year that is two years prior to the intended conference host date, i.e. for proposals received before November 15 to host the 2016 IAPS conference.