

## President's Message

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Dear IAPS Friends,

I am hesitant to extend springtime greetings from typical snowy Nova Scotia (in 2015, we were still able to snowshoe in the beginning of May!!), but I do hope this finds you thriving in 2016. I am pleased to report that IAPS business has been progressing well. For example, we have begun to revise the IAPS Constitution and the general membership will vote on the revisions at the upcoming AGM this fall.

I would like to acknowledge my 'right hand dude' Peter Hopsicker who has spent heaps of time sorting through US tax law information in order to ease the transition of the transfer of the IAPS bank account from Canada to the USA. On behalf of IAPS, I wish to thank him for his patience and his efforts.

The following are some key themes that I highlight in my report:

### Membership Renewal

Many thanks for those who have already renewed for 2016. For those who have yet to renew, Peter and I have sent you individual messages prompting and reminding—and we will continue to do so ☺! In order to present at IAPS 2016 (and get the reduced registration package rate) you must be a member in good standing and, therefore, we encourage you to renew ASAP. See the **Secretary-Treasurer's Report** for specific information.

### IAPS 2016 Conference in Olympia, Greece

The second call for abstracts was distributed via the IAPS list serve on March 1<sup>st</sup>, and abstracts are due **March 31<sup>st</sup>**. Conference organizer Heather Reid has been working diligently on the logistics, and it looks to be shaping up to be a fantastic conference experience! We also encourage students to submit an essay for the student essay competition. Specific information regarding the conference can be found in the **Conference Chair's Report**.

### Elections

We seek nominations for the following positions for June elections:

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Conference Chair             | (2 year term) |
| Journal Editor               | (2 year term) |
| Member-at-Large—2 positions, | (2 year term) |
| Elections Chair              | (2 year term) |
| HAFS                         | (2 year term) |

Serving IAPS is a very rewarding experience, and I really do encourage you to participate. Please feel free to contact me via email, [cweaving@stfx.ca](mailto:cweaving@stfx.ca), if you have any questions on the positions. Additionally, we are also asking for nominees for the 2016 Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award and the 2016 Distinguished Service Award. To avoid nominating those who have already been

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honored, you can check: <http://iaps.net/honours/>. Please, send your nominations to the chair of the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee (HAFS), Kevin Krein: [kevin.krein@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:kevin.krein@uas.alaska.edu).

Sincerely yours,  
Charlene

## Note from the Editor

**Adam Pfleeger – Florida International University, [adam.pfleeger@fiu.edu](mailto:adam.pfleeger@fiu.edu)**

Colleagues and friends, I welcome you to the second edition of the updated IAPS newsletter! Once again we are debuting new and exciting features such as the IAPS student highlight. In addition, I encourage everyone to check out the announcements section starting on page five. This section will feature upcoming conferences, IAPS sessions across the globe, call for papers, book proposals, and recently published books in our field. If any members have news they would like to share in this section in upcoming issues, please contact me directly. Without further adieu, I wish you all a wonderful and productive few months, happy reading, and I look forward to taking feedback on the newsletter.

## Secretary – Treasurer’s Message

**Peter Hopsicker – Penn State Altoona, [pnh12@psu.edu](mailto:pnh12@psu.edu)**

Greetings, Friends!

I hope all is well with you. Since my last report, I have been working on:

- Memberships
- Transferring IAPS funds to my local bank
- Researching our IAPS investments
- Researching the possibility of IAPS becoming an official non-profit organization

Let’s get to the details!

### IAPS Membership as of March 9, 2016

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Standard         | 103 |
| Student          | 13  |
| Total Membership | 116 |

\*For comparison, our total membership 2014 was 141; 2015 was 163. **Please note that presenters at the 2016 IAPS Conference must be members of IAPS (either student or full).**

### ***RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!***

#### New and renewing members may register for 2016 IAPS membership by:

1. Visiting the Association’s website at <http://www.iaps.net/>
2. Clicking “**Join IAPS**”
3. Then clicking on “**Renew your IAPS membership**” (hyperlink below the ‘Online Registration Directions’ header)

#### Your IAPS membership includes:

- Print issues of the *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* (JPS)
- Electronic issues of JPS
- Electronic access to the JPS archives (from the most recent issue to 1977)
- Electronic access to a second Routledge journal of your choice
- Access to the association’s newsletters.



*2014 IAPS President-Elect George (Charlene’s 19-month old son) experiencing an existential crisis over the pre-lusory goals of skiing!*

- Voting privileges

As of 2015, presenters at the IAPS annual conference *must be members* in good standing.

**Your membership helps fund a number of IAPS related projects including:**

- IAPS daily operation
- Costs associated with the Association Management Agreement with Human Kinetics
- Update and maintenance of our website
- Covering membership fees for the affiliations IAPS maintains with scholarly organizations such as International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE), International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP), and American Philosophical Association (APA). These organizations provide services/information to IAPS members, chiefly among them is the opportunity to participate in their congresses.
- Conference grants
- Keynote expenses (in order to decrease conference registration fees)

**MOST importantly, your membership helps students in a variety of ways:**

- It sustains the Student Travel Award Fund, from which we allocate annually the Student Travel Awards.
- It contributes to the R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award, which this year will be in its fifth edition.
- When you renew your membership for 2016, you will notice the option to donate to the Student Travel Award Fund. We encourage you to donate to this fund. Your generosity will make an important and direct contribution to the profession by helping students attend the annual conference (which should be an important part of their education). Furthermore, it is important to encourage student participation for the sustainability of IAPS.

If you have any questions regarding the renewal of your membership, please contact me ([pmh12@psu.edu](mailto:pmh12@psu.edu)) or Human Kinetics representative Kim Scott at [kims@hkusa.com](mailto:kims@hkusa.com)

Questions related to JPS subscriptions should be directed to Jacqueline Tearle at Routledge, [jacqui.society@tandf.co.uk](mailto:jacqui.society@tandf.co.uk)

**Student Travel Funds**

The IAPS membership has been very generous, and I thank each and every one of you who donated to the IAPS Student Travel Fund. 26 members have donated a total of \$2,575 to date. Thank you very much!

## Election Chair's Message

**Pam Sailors – Missouri State University, [pamelasailors@missouristate.edu](mailto:pamelasailors@missouristate.edu)**

**Call for 2016 IAPS Executive Council Nominations**

The following positions will become available this fall:

- Conference Chair (2-year term)
- Journal Editor (2-year term)
- Elections Chair (2-year term)
- Member-at-Large (2 positions, 2-year term)
- Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee (3-year term)

**Nominations must satisfy a number of conditions:**

1. Each nomination must include a nominator, a seconder, and a nominee.

2. The nominator, seconder, and nominee must be members of IAPS. (Note that election onto the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee requires IAPS membership of three years or more.)
3. Nominations must reach Pam Sailors by 15 June 2016: [pamelasailors@missouristate.edu](mailto:pamelasailors@missouristate.edu)
4. The seconder and nominee must acknowledge that they will second or accept, respectively, the nomination by sending an email to that effect to Pam Sailors.
5. The nominee is advised to supply a brief biography (no more than 200 words) at the time of nomination.

#### **Nomination Procedure:**

The easiest way to complete the nomination is for the nominator to copy the original nomination email to both the seconder and the nominee who can then use “reply all” to acknowledge acceptance attach the brief biography. Once the nomination is complete, Pam Sailors will forward an email to the nominator, seconder, and nominee. Please be diligent in fully completing the nomination process.

We will once again use an online elections tool to guarantee anonymous voting. Look for instructions in the July 2016 IAPS Newsletter regarding the procedure.

## **News from the Journal of the Philosophy of Sport**

### **Paul Gaffney (Editor) – St. John’s University, [gaffnevp@stjohns.edu](mailto:gaffnevp@stjohns.edu)**

This is my second report as *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport (JPS)* Editor. Since I began my work seven months ago I have gradually learned how to manage the various editorial functions of the ScholarOne website, which was challenging at first, but everything starts to make sense after a while. The people at Taylor and Francis have been very helpful and I have relied especially on John Russell’s experience and guidance as I encounter issues and think about how best to continue the work of the journal. So I guess I can say I am settling into the work.

As I write this report, *JPS* issue 43.1 is about to arrive. This issue includes a Special Section Festschrift devoted to the work of Robert L. Simon that includes ten articles from commentators plus a response from Professor Simon. These excellent studies investigate various aspects of Simon’s work and together with his response will stand as a permanent contribution to our field. The Special Section was guest-edited by R. Scott Kretchmar, who also contributed one of the ten articles. We are confident that the Festschrift will benefit our readers for years to come.

We continue to receive excellent submissions. In fact our submission rate appears to be on the rise, which speaks to the growing presence of *JPS* in the scholarly community and will allow us to maintain our standards in forthcoming publications. The steady flow of submissions has kept members of the Editorial Board busy and I thank them for their generous and dedicated work.

We are busy preparing articles for *JPS* issue 43.2, which will be published in July 2016 and for *JPS* issue 43.3, which will be published in October 2016.

## **2016 Annual Conference– Olympia, Greece**

### **John Gleaves – California State University Fullerton, [jgleaves@fullerton.edu](mailto:jgleaves@fullerton.edu)**

With the Rio Olympic Games just around the corner, how fitting that IAPS is heading to Olympia, Greece for its annual conference. Heather Reid has the conference registration available at the following link for those of you who are ready to register now. Here is the link for registration: <https://fontearetusa.wordpress.com/registration-and-payment/>

We are expecting this year’s conference to be unique with its combination of philosophy, physical activity, and location. Make sure you have room on your camera for pictures and start doing those wind sprints and toe touches for your run on the Olympic track or the Ancient vs. Modern football (soccer) game

Also, please remember to submit your abstracts through the EasyChair website using the IAPS pdf template. The template can be accessed here (make sure you download and not just open it in your

*[Click here](#) to view the most recent issue of JPS, Volume 43.1.*



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browser): <https://fontearetusa.files.wordpress.com/2015/06/download-iaps-abstract-template.pdf>

The link for the Easychair submissions is here: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iaps2016>

Last, if you are planning to attend the IAPS conference and have not already renewed your IAPS membership, now is the time to do so. All participants must have their IAPS membership up to date prior to the annual conference.

Here is the link to renew your membership: <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/>

## Special Note from the Conference Organizer

**Heather Reid – Morningside College, [reid@morningside.edu](mailto:reid@morningside.edu)**

Registration for IAPS 2016 in Olympia, Greece is now open! A full week of academic and cultural activities is planned. Lodging at the International Olympic Academy is limited and will be allotted on a first-paid, first-served basis. IAPS members are eligible for a special discounted package that includes guided tour/transfers from Athens to Olympia and back, as well as 5 nights of full board at the Olympic Academy. Guest registration is also available at a special price. The [registration form](#) is available now. More details on the conference are available on [www.fontearetusa.org](http://www.fontearetusa.org).

## Important Announcements!

### **Second Biannual Conference of the Asociación Latina de Filosofía del Deporte (ALFiD – Latin Association of Philosophy of Sport)**

September 27-30, 2016 – Porto (Portugal)

ALFiD is pleased to announce its second biannual conference September 27-30, 2016 in Porto (Portugal) under the auspices of the University of Porto. The conference will be concurrently organized with the XVI Congresso de Ciências do Desporto e Educação Física dos Países de Língua Portuguesa.

The call for papers will be announced soon and the website be launched momentarily as well. Electronic communication and email will be available in ALFiD's homepage [www.alfid.org](http://www.alfid.org).

### **Segundo Congreso Bianual de la Asociación Latina de Filosofía del Deporte (ALFiD)**

27 al 30 de septiembre de 2016, Porto (Portugal)

La Asociación Latina de Filosofía del Deporte (ALFiD) tiene el agrado de anunciar la realización de su segundo congreso bianual. El mismo tendrá lugar del 27 al 30 de septiembre de 2016 en Porto (Portugal) y será organizado por la Universidad de Porto. El congreso se realizará en conjunto con el XVI Congresso de Ciências do Desporto e Educação Física dos Países de Língua Portuguesa. En breve se lanzará la convocatoria para resúmenes de ponencias así como la página web del congreso. La información será enviada por correo electrónico y también estará disponible en la página web de ALFiD ([www.alfid.org](http://www.alfid.org)).

The Asociación Latina de Filosofía del Deporte (ALFiD) (Latin Association for the Philosophy of Sport) will hold its second biannual conference September 27-30 of this year in Porto, Portugal. The event will be organized by the Universidade do Porto. Below is the conference's website:

<https://events.fade.up.pt/cdef2016/index.php/2o-congresso-alfid/>

The deadline to submit paper proposals is April 18. Early registration closes May 31. For questions about the conference please contact Teresa Lacerda, ([tlacerda@fade.up.pt](mailto:tlacerda@fade.up.pt)), conference organizer, or Cesar R. Torres ([crtorres@brockport.edu](mailto:crtorres@brockport.edu)), ALFiD president.

## Call for book proposals on sport for Lexington Books *Studies in Philosophy of Sport* series

<http://sportsethicist.com/studies-in-philosophy-of-sport-book-series/>

The *Studies in Philosophy of Sport* series from Lexington Books encourages scholars from all disciplines to inquire into the nature, importance, and qualities of sport and related activities. The series aims to encourage new voices and methods for the philosophic study of sport while also inspiring established scholars to consider new questions and approaches in this field. Contact Series Editor: Shawn E. Klein, Ph.D. ([sklein@asu.edu](mailto:sklein@asu.edu) or [sportsethicist@gmail.com](mailto:sportsethicist@gmail.com)).

## IAPS sessions at American Philosophical Association (APA) meetings

### Central APA Meeting – Chicago, Illinois (March 5<sup>th</sup>)

IAPS Representatives

Shawn E. Klein (Arizona State University)

Chad Carlson (Hope College)

Francisco Javier Lopez Frias (Pennsylvania State University)

[http://www.apaonline.org/events/event\\_details.asp?legacy=1&id=322904](http://www.apaonline.org/events/event_details.asp?legacy=1&id=322904)

### Pacific APA Meeting – San Francisco, California (April 2<sup>nd</sup>)

IAPS Representatives

Doug McLaughlin (California State University, Northridge)

Adam Berg (Pennsylvania State University)

Sigmund Loland (Norges Idrettshogskole)

Adam G. Pflieger (Florida International University)

[http://www.apaonline.org/events/event\\_details.asp?legacy=1&id=322905](http://www.apaonline.org/events/event_details.asp?legacy=1&id=322905)

## II Sport and Global Governance Conference

The second edition of the Sport and Global Governance Conference, will take place on May 5th and 6th at the Pompeu Fabra University Ciutadella's Campus and is open to all professors and professionals who are interested in analyzing the ethical, philosophical, legal and/or moral problems of sports

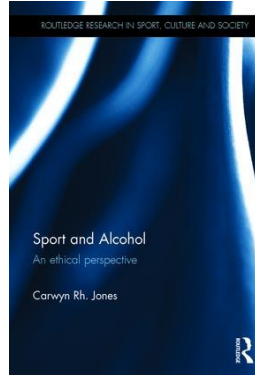
It is a two-day conference in which there will be three keynotes and a workshop given by recognized professionals and professors on the main theme. In addition, there will be several panels where the selected papers will be presented. The final conference program will be available soon on the website.

The main theme is *Current Ethical Challenges in Sport Management*. We encourage everyone to take part in it and to send a paper.

For more information, including links to registration and the call for papers, please visit:

[https://www.upf.edu/filosofiadeldret/en/w2activitats/Congressos/II\\_sport\\_and\\_global\\_governance.html](https://www.upf.edu/filosofiadeldret/en/w2activitats/Congressos/II_sport_and_global_governance.html)

## New Book Alert!



### Sport and Alcohol: An Ethical Perspective By Carwyn Rh. Jones

Check out full details including ordering information by visiting [the website!](#)

## IAPS Student Highlight

### Calling IAPS Students:

*We want to highlight YOUR profile in our newsletter! If you would like to be featured, please contact the newsletter editor for more information.*

### Mika Hämäläinen – University of Turku



**Tell us about your recently completed degree!**  
At the University of Turku my supervisor was Professor Juha Räikkä. I completed the degree of Doctor of Social Sciences in spring 2015.

**What is your dissertation topic?**  
My dissertation is titled *The Concept of Betterness and Sport Competitions*. It is an attempt to clarify disputes about which team or athlete was better in a particular sport competition. The dissertation

consists of an introductory part and five articles and the introduction is freely available on Internet: <http://urn.fi/URN:ISBN:978-951-29-6024-8>.

### **What is your primary research interest in sport philosophy?**

I am interested in issues of ‘betterness’, or ‘cases where the best may not win’.

### **How has IAPS helped you thus far in your career?**

IAPS has awarded me travel grants and the R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award at the 2015 annual conference in Cardiff, Wales. More so, the meetings have enabled me to get to know the magnificent people in philosophy of sport community!

### **What originally got you interested in studying the philosophy of sport?**

In 2009, I was reading an internet article in which a medical expert claimed that Caster Semenya, the South-African 800-metre runner, had gained an unfair advantage. However, the expert did not provide a philosophically satisfying explanation why the advantage would have been unfair. I wanted to demonstrate what was wrong in his explanation.

### **What are your hobbies?**

I play floorball, volleyball, badminton, run, cycle... Sometimes I also bake (see my specially baked IAPS cookie) although I would not call baking my hobby :)



*Note: From all of us on the IAPS Executive Board, we congratulate Mika on his graduation and wish him the best in starting his promising career!*