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President's Message

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Greetings IAPS Friends,

I write this on 'Super Sports Sunday': Serena Williams and Andy Murray won Wimbledon, and Portugal won EURO 2016—an exciting time for our Portugal friends! I trust this finds you well and that you are gearing up for the upcoming conference. In two months, we will be gathering on the Ancient grounds of Olympia on the heels of the Rio Olympic Games. No doubt, we will have much to discuss and debate over olives, ouzo, and feta!!!

2016 Olympia Conference

If you haven't already registered, please do so immediately to help facilitate planning. Specific information regarding the conference can be [found here](#).

NOTE: You must be a member in good standing to present at the conference, [find out more here](#).

We are very excited for this year's keynotes. Irena Martinkova will examine authenticity in sport, and Drew Hyland will talk about physical education in connection to Ancient Greece. Finally, we are thrilled that Heather Reid is the 2016 recipient of the Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award. Further, Heather is the first woman in IAPS history to receive this award!!!

Many thanks to Conference Chair John Gleaves for his diligent work, and Members at Large: Junko Yamuguchi, Kenneth Aggerholm, Claudia Boger, and Anna Zimmerman for their significant efforts in abstract reviewing. Information regarding the conference program can be [found here](#).

Congrats to the R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay award winner Christopher Yorke from the Open University. Christopher is the student featured in this newsletter, and you can read **more here** about his research. A note of thanks to members of HAFS: Kevin Krein (Chair), Vegard Moe, and Mizuho Takemura

2016 Elections

Thanks to those who took the time to vote. We had a solid voting turnout. We appreciate your efforts in nominating individuals and, kudos to those who agreed to serve! Official results will be shared at the AGM in Olympia. Thank you to Election Officer Pam Sailors for facilitating the elections.

Please also note that the location of the 2017 IAPS Conference will be publicized at the AGM.

Constitution Amendments

We have been working on revising the Constitution and will send the membership the proposed changes shortly.

Other News

I am pleased to report that the Executive has developed a process for selecting keynotes for future conferences. The process is based on encouraging colleagues who have not yet joined IAPS to learn more about the Association and the solid research done by members. Further, the Executive aims to ensure gender equity. We are also mindful of honouring current IAPS members who would make excellent keynotes.

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR 2016 AGM

Please forward any agenda items for the 2016 AGM by August 19, 2016 to cweaving@stfx.ca
Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional comments or queries. Very much looking forward to seeing you in Greece.

Sincerely yours, Charlene

Note from the Editor

Adam Pfleeger – Belmont University, adam.pfleeger@belmont.edu

It seems like only a few short weeks ago we were all together in Cardiff for the 2015 conference. However, its time again to get excited to meet with friends and colleagues to (respectfully) debate ideas and thoughts in sessions, at lunch, and over late night cocktails. I hope everyone has had a productive and safe last few months and is looking forward to coming together in Olympia in September. Enjoy the July newsletter as you prepare your IAPS presentations!

Secretary – Treasurer’s Message

Peter Hopsicker – Penn State Altoona, pmh12@psu.edu

Greetings, Friends!

I hope all is well with you. I have been working on:

- Memberships
- Researching out IAPS investments
- Researching the possibility of IAPS becoming an official non-profit org.

Let’s get to the details!

IAPS Membership as of July 11, 2016

Standard	129
Student	29
Total Membership	158 (consisting of 26 different countries!)

*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. Clicking on “Renew your IAPS membership”

Your IAPS membership includes:

- Print issues of the Journal of the *Philosophy of Sport* (JPS_
- Electronic issues of JPS
- Electronic access to the JPS archive (back to 1977)
- Electronic access to a second Routledge journal of your choice
- Access to the association’s newsletters
- Voting privileges



George (age 2) cheering Canada’s Milos Raonic at Wimbledon. Begging the question: cute photo-op or inferring nationalism sport fandomania way too young?

Moreover, 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 other scholarly organizations such as the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE), the International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP), and the American Philosophical Association (APA). These organizations provide services and 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 also 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) or Human Kinetics representative Kim Scott at kims@hkusa.com

Questions related to JPS subscriptions should be directed to Jacqueline Tearle at Routledge, 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. Twenty-six of our members have donated a total of \$2,675 to date. Thank you very much!

News from the Journal of the Philosophy of Sport

Paul Gaffney (Editor) – St. John’s University, gaffneyp@stjohns.edu

We continue to receive many interesting and varied submissions. Our submission rate is higher than it has been in the recent past, which speaks to the growing reputation and interest in *JPS* as a scholarly journal and in the philosophy of sport as an important area of philosophical reflection. The increased submission rate will allow us to maintain our standards in forthcoming publications. Members of the Editorial Board have provided excellent guidance and I thank them for their generous and dedicated work.

There have been a few changes in the journal’s appearance. First, as you might have noticed, Routledge transitioned from one font to another, starting with the March 2016 issue (*JPS* 43.1). In that issue two fonts are used: the Special Section articles and the Book Reviews are all set in the new font, but two non-Special Section backlog articles were in the old font because they had gone through copyediting process prior to the transition. I do not dislike the new font but I was not told of this change before the publication of *JPS* 43.1, and I don’t particularly like the appearance of two fonts in the same issue.

Second, Routledge is changing the printing process. This time I heard about the changes in advance, although for all intents and purposes the decision had already been made when I heard about it. Here is an excerpt from the email from Managing Editor Alejandra Leach-Nunez:

Click here to view the most recent issue of JPS, Volume 43.2.



We are proposing to move *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* from the press type Litho to Inkjet. This should not lead to a visible impact - the inkjet machines we will be using are state of the art, and the printers have been using them for many years now. All are fully supported by the manufacturers with the latest upgrades. In addition, this move would be accompanied by a matte finish paper, which matches exactly the G-Print paper commonly used on litho printed journals. The paper will have the same feel (and actually be a bit thicker).

A serious and apparently continuing concern is distribution: many IAPS members have reported problems with the mailing of the issues 43.1 and 43.2. Some people received issues at previous mailing addresses, some received multiple copies (four is the record as far as I know!), and some received their issues very late (or possibly not at all). I do not know the full extent of this problem although I hope to get a better sense of it at the meeting in Olympia, Greece. The production team at Taylor and Francis are aware of the problem, as I have been in contact with them about it since March; in fact, they have experienced the same problem with some of their other journals. They tell me that “they are working on it.” I hope soon to have this resolved completely.

On June 2nd 2016, in Didcot, England (outside of Oxford), I had a meeting with members of the team at Taylor and Francis to discuss a number of issues/questions. I met with Jonathan Manley (Publisher), Heather Wallace (Production Editor), Lauren Taylor (Publishing Editor), and Victoria Kennelly (Editorial Systems Coordinator). We met for nearly three hours. I was very encouraged by their patience and eagerness to be helpful.

We are busy preparing articles for *JPS* issue 43.3, which will be published in November 2016.

2016 Annual Conference— Olympia, Greece

John Gleaves – California State University Fullerton, jgleaves@fullerton.edu

The conference planning for Olympia is well underway. All paper selections have been finalized and, I must say, the submissions are of the highest quality I have seen. This conference will be exceptionally strong. With over 77 papers and 100 authors, please expect a vibrant intellectual community worthy of our unique conference venue.

I have been working closely with Heather Reid, the host organizer. By now, we have the rooms, coffee breaks, and the logistics worked out for our time at the International Olympic Academy (IOA) in Olympia, Greece. The preliminary draft of the schedule went out to all conference participants on July 19th and will be included with this newsletter.

Note from the IAPS Conference Organizer

Heather Reid – Morningside College, reid@morningside.edu

We have planned a wonderful conference this September at the International Olympic Academy, complete with visits to the archaeological site and museums, sports activities, and a reception and banquet featuring the best of local flavors. There are also special tour/transfers from and back to Athens that take in important athletic sites such as Nemea, Messene, and Delphi.

So far we have about 50 registered participants, some bringing friends and family, most of which are paid. Registrants should note that space on the tour/transfers and rooms at the IOA are limited and cannot be confirmed until we receive your payment. Single rooms at the IOA are no longer available, but you can register for a double and I will try to find a suitable roommate in terms of gender and age. Please note that rooms at the IOA vary in quality (some have recently been refurbished, others not) and will be assigned in the order of payments received.



Statue of Diagoras of Rhose at IOA



Reenacted Games at Nemea

Participants are encouraged to bring friends and family, who will be charged a special “accompanying person” price, which allows them to enjoy the reception, tours, banquet, and activities along with the rest of the group.

Upon receiving your registration, we will check your IAPS membership status. Those presenting a paper and/or claiming the IAPS package discount must be IAPS members. You can register for the conference without presenting and pay full price for the package without being a member, but since the member discount on the lodging-transport package (subsidized by IAPS) is 48 euro, it is probably worth joining or renewing your membership.

Next, you will receive an invoice from Fonte Aretusa (the organizer) via PayPal for the services requested. Once you pay the invoice, you will receive a receipt by email from PayPal and your place on the tour/transfers and lodging is thereby confirmed. An email with final instructions will be sent in September. Registration fees increase by 50 euro after August 15.

More information and the registration form can be found at fontearetusa.org. In the meantime, questions can be addressed to Heather Reid at fontearetusa1@gmail.com

Important Announcements!

Special Issue in Sport Ethics

The prestigious Spanish Journal *Recerca – Revista de Pensament I Anàlisi* [Journal of Thinking And Analysis] has just published its # 18, dedicated to *Sport Ethics - The Challenges of 21st Century Sport*

Longtime IAPS member Javi López-Frías co-edited this issue, with Óscar Chiva-Bartoll. It features a number of articles in both English and Spanish by a number of IAPS members.

Free access and downloadable PDFs for the full issue or specific articles at: <http://www.e-revistas.uji.es/index.php/recerca>

IAPS Student Highlight

Christopher Yorke – Open University (UK)

Yorke’s Webpage:

Interested in Christopher’s work? [Click here](#) to check out his publications page



Tell us about your degree program and progress!

I’m in the first year of a PhD in Philosophy at the Open University [UK]. Jon Pike is my main supervisor, and Alex Barber is an active second. “Bernard Suits and the Utopian Politics of Gaming” is the provisional title of the dissertation.

What is your primary research interest in sport?

I focus on a cluster of ethical, political, and metaphysical topics in the philosophy of games. My current aim is to articulate a set of criteria for delineating utopian from non-utopian games, and to analyze the kind of relationship that Suits posits as existing between the pre-utopian games of today, and the utopian ones he thinks must follow from them. With specific reference to sport, I recently published an op-ed piece, which argued that game celebrities have a more onerous set of moral obligations to fulfill than do non-celebrity players.

How did you become interested in the philosophy of sport?

As a spectator and a participant, I've always been struck by how the rules of games function as behavior-shaping technologies, and as frameworks for interpreting the world. That's a topic of clear interest to moral and political philosophers, especially when you take into account that these rules are voluntarily accepted by their participants, and not imposed upon them in the fashion of laws. Some of the questions that continue to intrigue me in the area are: What, if any, conceptual or practical limitations exist on game rules? What kind of behavior, if any, should game designers aim to produce with their rulesets? And how could games be employed to supplant, reinforce, or transform key social institutions such as those of government, religion, or family (in addition to commerce, which is already fairly gamified)?

How do you anticipate IAPS playing a role in your career moving forward?

IAPS has been a great source of encouragement for my line of doctoral research via its grant of the 2016 R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award. I'm very thankful for the opportunity to present my article "Endless Summer: What Kinds of Games Will Suits' Utopians Play?" at the annual conference this September in Olympia, Greece, and the occasion to speak with the best minds at work in the philosophy of sport. By shining a spotlight on my work, IAPS will help me gather valuable feedback, which will be of indubitable benefit for my subsequent research.

What are some of the hobbies you enjoy?

In terms of hobbies, currently my main indulgence is playing and theorizing about collectible card games, specifically Magic: The Gathering. I founded and operate a league at my local game store, FaceToFace Games in Montreal, where I run tournaments that can last up to two months. I also write a regular column for their ManaDeprived website, unimaginatively titled 'Yorke on Games', wherein I sketch out some of my ideas on the philosophy of games and apply them to practical topics in Magic, and occasionally design new variants and formats for the game.



Note: From all of us on the IAPS Executive Board, we congratulate Christopher on his R. Scott Kretchmar award-winning essay and wish him continued success!

2016 IAPS Conference Schedule – Olympia, Greece

Sunday, Sept. 18

Arrival in Athens

Monday, September 19 (Itinerary for Tour/Transfer Package participants only)

08:00 – First pick-up near Acropolis Museum then Tour of Panathenaic Stadium
 09:00 – Bus for Olympia departs from Panathenaic Stadium, Athens (Tour participants)
 10:30 – Visit site of the Ancient Isthmian Games (contingent on site being open)
 12:00 – Lunch/Rest stop Spathovouni (on your own)
 13:00 – Visit site of the Ancient Nemean Games
 16:00 – Visit site of Ancient Messene
 19:00 – Arrival at International Olympic Academy, check-in
 20:00 – Dinner in cafeteria

Tuesday, September 20

10:00 – Registration Opens (atrium)
 11:00 – IAPS Executive Council Meeting – (Meeting Room)
 11:00 – 13:00 Athens 2004 Archive Museum Open (adjacent to cafeteria)
 13:00 – Lunch at IOA cafeteria (for IOA lodgers and registered guests)
 14:00 – Conference Opening (Auditorium)

Keynote Address: Drew Hyland-- The Sweatiest of the Liberal Arts: Athletics and Education

15.30-17.00 – Parallel Sessions # 1

17.00-17.30 – Coffee Break
 17.30-19.00 – Parallel Session #2
 19.00 – Reception (atrium)
 20.00 – Dinner at cafeteria (for IOA lodgers)

Wednesday, September 21

8.00 – Breakfast (IOA lodgers only)
 9.00-12.00 – Tour of Archaeological Site, Museums of Ancient Olympia & Olympic Games
 13.00-14.00 – Lunch at IOA cafeteria (for IOA lodgers and registered guests)
 14.00-16.00 – Parallel Sessions 3
 16.00-16.30 – Refreshment Break
 16.30-17.30 – Parallel Sessions 4
 17:45 – Panel Session
 19.00 – Sport Activities
 20.00 – Dinner in cafeteria (IOA lodgers only)
 21.00 – Social Evening at Zorba's (optional)

Thursday, September 22

8.00 – Breakfast (for IOA lodgers)
 9.00-11.00 – Parallel Sessions 5
 11.00-11.30 – Refreshment Break (Atrium)
 11.30-13.00 – Parallel Sessions 6
 13.00 – Lunch in cafeteria (for IOA lodgers and registered guests)
 14:00-15.30 – Parallel Sessions 7
 15.30 – 16.00 – Refreshment Break (Atrium)
 16.00-17.00 – **Keynote Address:** Irena Martinkova—Authenticity in Sport
 17.30-18.30 – Parallel Sessions 8
 19.00 – Sport Activities
 20.00 – Dinner in Cafeteria (for IOA lodgers)

Friday, September 23

8.00 – Breakfast (for IOA lodgers)
 9:00-11:00 – Parallel Sessions 8
 11:00-11:30 – Refreshment Break (Atrium)
 11:30-13:00 – Parallel Sessions 9
 13:00-14:00 Lunch in cafeteria (and IOA lodgers and registered guests)
 14.00-15.00 – Parallel Sessions 10
 15.00-15.30 Refreshment Break (Atrium)
 15.30-16.45 IAPS Annual Business Meeting (Auditorium)
 17.00-18.00 **Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture:** Heather Reid – Why Olympia Matters for Modern Sport
 18.30 – Philosopher Football Match (Ancients vs. Moderns)
 20.45 – Bus departs IOA for Hotel Europa
 21.00 – Conference Banquet – Hotel Europa

Saturday, September 24 (Itinerary for Tour/Transfer Participants Only)

08.00 – Breakfast for IOA lodgers
 09.00 – Bus departs IOA
 13.00 – Arrive Delphi, lunch and visit to site and museum
 16.30 – Depart Delphi
 19.00 – Arrive Athens

Sunday, September 25

Depart Athens (on your own)

Please note, this is a working schedule and is subject to change. For the complete itinerary, including the presentation schedule, [visit our website!](#)