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FOURTH ANNOUNCEMENT: ISSA WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT 2013

2013 ISSA World Congress of Sociology of Sport
Vancouver, Canada
June 12-15

Contesting Sovereignties

The meaning of sovereignty has varied across time, geography, and academic discipline and has been invoked and utilized in contradictory ways. Sovereignty has been a vehicle through which hegemonic powers, including the state and supranational institutions, enforce authority and also through which subordinate groups claim jurisdictional autonomy. Sovereignty is therefore aligned with supremacy, border inviolability, autonomy, independence, and self-determination. Sovereignties also may be contested, through challenges to existing ideologies, structures, power relations, superior positionality, and the celebration of local voices, inclusivity, empowerment enterprises and partnerships. The International Sociology of Sport Association invites papers that address the relationship of sport to the contested concept of sovereignty, advance understanding of the possibilities and limits of a sovereignty framework, and that meaningfully contribute to debates of inclusivity, equality and innovative practices that demonstrate a unique sovereignty on “local” terms. Questions that might be explored include the following:

- How is sport related to the (de)construction of the sovereign self? Of sovereign embodiment?
- How are gender and sexuality sovereignties enabled and constrained in sport contexts?
- How has sport been implicated in the sovereignty claims of Indigenous peoples?
- What is the relationship between Sport for Development and Peace, human rights movements, and/or Sport for All and the circumscription of the sovereign state?
- Does the securitization of major sport events threaten or protect territorial sovereignty?
- How is sport related to the contested sovereignties of markets and monetary systems?
- What innovative research gives voice to the marginalised and what "glocalized" practices add to existing discourses?

More than 150 abstracts are included in the academic program!
Over 170 registered delegates from 34 countries including Canada, the UK, the USA, Australia, Taiwan, Japan, New Zealand, China, Switzerland, Netherlands, South Korea and more.

Keynote speaker: Professor Alan Bairner, University of Loughborough, United Kingdom
Topic: Sport, Music and Song: ways of seeing aboriginal identities in modern Taiwan

Congress Schedule:
Welcome Reception and Awards Ceremony: June 12, 6:30 pm – 8 pm
Academic Presentations: June 13-15, 9 am – 5 pm
ISSA Annual General Meeting: June 13, 5:15pm – 6 pm
Vancouver Self-Guided Walking Tour: June 13, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Closing Reception/Dinner Cruise: June 15, 7 pm - 11:30 pm

More details on the ISSA World Congress website
http://www.issa2013.org/
ISSA CONGRESS MENTORS

We would like to acknowledge the 2013 ISSA Congress Mentors who assisted twenty-four of our members in reviewing ISSA conference abstracts and ISSA conference power point presentations.

Many thanks to the following volunteers:

Catherine Palmer, University of Tasmania, Australia
Andrea Scott, University of Chichester, United Kingdom
Geoff Kohe, University of Worcester, United Kingdom
Pirkko Markula, University of Alberta, Canada
Steve Jackson, University of Otago, New Zealand

The help you have provided our members in preparing for the 2013 Congress has been very much appreciated!

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT ASSOCIATION'S HONORARY MEMBER AWARD

The recipient of the 2013 Honorary Member Award: Professor Gerald Kenyon

The Executive Board of the International Sociology of Sport Association is delighted to announce that Professor Gerald Kenyon will receive the 2013 Honorary Member Award during the Opening Ceremony of our Congress in Vancouver, Canada.

Professor Kenyon obtained academic degrees from the University of British Columbia (B.P.E.), Indiana University (M.S.), and New York University (Ph.D.). He was an Instructor at the University of Saskatchewan (1956-58), and held the positions of Assistant, Associate and Full Professor at the University of Wisconsin (1961-1970) before returning to Canada to serve as Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Human Kinetics and Leisure Studies at the University of Waterloo, with a cross-appointment in the Department of Sociology. Following his tenure at the University of Waterloo (1970-1982) he became the Vice-President, Academic at the University of Lethbridge in Alberta, Canada where he also served as Acting President before his retirement in 1987.

Dr. Kenyon was a founding member of the International Committee for the Sociology of Sport (the former name of ISSA), a member of the Executive Committee from 1970-1984, served as General Secretary from 1971-1984, as a member of the Editorial Board of the International Review of Sport Sociology, 1971-75, and as the Director of the ICSS “Sport Socialization Project”, 1969-77. While serving as Dean of the Faculty of Human Kinetics and Leisure Studies at the University of Waterloo he hosted the 3rd International Symposium on the Sociology of Sport. He also published the ICSS Bulletin for several years from his office.

Professor Kenyon was an active contributor to the sociology of sport literature at the beginning of the sub-discipline. He was senior author of the first paper in North America calling for a “sociology of sport” (1965); authored a paper in the first volume of the International Review of Sport Sociology (1966); co-authored the first anthology of the sociology of sport (Sport, Culture and Society, 1969); and co-authored one of the first textbooks in the field (Sport and Social Systems, 1978). Notably, he established the first doctoral program in Canada for the sociology of sport and appointed a number of outstanding sport sociologists to his faculty including Alan Ingham, John Loy, Barry McPherson and Nancy Theberge.

We very much hope that you will join us in celebrating Professor Kenyon’s Honorary Member Award during our Congress Opening Ceremony in Vancouver!

Elizabeth Pike
ISSA President
INTERNATIONAL REVIEW FOR THE SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT

Special Issue
SPORT AND ALCOHOL
Extended Deadline: August 1, 2013

CALL FOR PAPERS

Guest Editor
Catherine Palmer
University of Tasmania

FOCUS AND TOPICS
There is little doubt that alcohol features in many aspects of contemporary sport. Promotional practices, alcohol use and misuse by players and spectators, and sports-based interventions in alcohol prevention and recovery programs (among other things), make sports-associated drinking a rich source of interest for sociologists, anthropologists, policy-makers and health professionals alike. While a considerable body of research has explored the relationships between sport, alcohol and masculinity (and there is certainly more to be done), new relationships to sport and alcohol are emerging that can further advance understandings of the social meanings embedded in sport-related drinking, the range of social problems it contributes to and their implications for scholarship, policy and practice. It is timely then to re-examine sport-related drinking in ways that widen the empirical and theoretical base so as to better understand the diversity and complexity of drinking and drinkers in sport.

The research questions, topics and problematics raised and addressed in this Special Issue should aim to extend and enhance knowledge and understandings in the sociology of sport and related disciplines. Towards that goal, this special issue solicits papers that can contribute to new research agendas in the sport-alcohol nexus. Papers are invited on, but not limited to, the following themes:

- drinking and masculinity
- women, sport and drinking (as sportswomen, fans, audiences, or through other identities/relationships)
- non-drinkers in sport drinking cultures
- media representations and promotional culture
- methodological issues and innovations in exploring sport-related drinking
- theoretical contributions to exploring and re-defining sport-related drinking
- implications for policy and practice
- prevention and /or rehabilitation

Papers that address these or other themes in varied cultural and /or geographical contexts are particularly encouraged.
MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS
Manuscripts for the Sport and Alcohol special issue should be submitted online by **August 1, 2013** at [http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss](http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss). In the submission process, authors should both note submission for the Sport and Alcohol special issue in a cover letter and choose “Sport & Alcohol Special Issue” as the “Manuscript Type.” Manuscripts should be 6000-7000 words (inclusive of references, endnotes, tables, and figures) and follow the Manuscript Submission Guidelines at [http://irs.sagepub.com/](http://irs.sagepub.com/) All manuscripts will be subject to peer review under the supervision of the Special Issue Editor and Editor-in-Chief. Expressions of interest, abstracts for consideration, and questions may be directed to the Special Issue Editor Catherine Palmer at catherine_palmer@hotmail.com

ISSA 50TH ANNIVERSARY: 2015
As part of our preparations to celebrate our 50th Anniversary in 2015 the ISSA Executive Board is calling on all past and current members to submit photos, documents and other materials that document the history of the association, congresses and journal.

We will gladly accept any items. We will be happy to copy and return these to you, or to add relevant items to the ISSA Archive as part of our ongoing efforts to record the history of the ISSA and IRSS.

For further information about the Archive and/or to donate items, please contact the ISSA President at:
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MEMBERS’ NEWS
ISSA is happy to share information about conferences, seminars, awards, jobs etc. We will gladly include your news in our eBulletin and the ISSA website. ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions.

*Please send any feedback and information to the ISSA General Secretary, Christine Dallaire at: christine.dallaire@uottawa.ca*

*N'hésitez pas à communiquer avec moi en français!*

*In addition: Please remember that ISSA also has its own* [Facebook](http://facebook.com) *page, and you are welcome to share information via this group.*
FUTURE ISSA CONFERENCES

There will be two ISSA conference-related opportunities in 2014. The first will be ISSA’s regular annual conference held July 8-11, in Beijing, China. The conference is hosted by China’s most prestigious institution, Peking University. The conference has been scheduled in order to encourage and facilitate the opportunity for members to attend both ISSA 2014 (Beijing) and ISA 2014 (July 13-19, Yokohama). 2014 offers a unique opportunity to attend 2 world class conferences and experience two fascinating cultures within a short time frame and relatively close geographic proximity. Further information and a call for abstracts will be made available as soon as possible so that members can plan their flights and visas. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Steve Jackson: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz.

The second will be in association with the International Sociological Association.

ISSA will organize 18 sessions at the International Sociological Association World Congress of Sociology in Yokohama, Japan, July 13-19, 2014. ISSA is represented in the International Sociological Association through "Research Committee 27 Sociology of Sport" (RC27). Please direct any questions to RC27 Program Coordinators: Kimberly Schimmel (kschimme@kent.edu) or Steve Jackson steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz

ISA & RC27 membership: Presenters and attendees to RC27 sessions must be members of ISA and of RC27. A single membership payment to ISA & RC27 is valid for four years, the member link is located here: http://www.isa-sociology.org/memb_i/index.htm/

Abstract Submissions, June 3, 2013 - September 30, 2013: A direct link for abstract submissions is forthcoming and will be located on ISA’s World Congress of Sociology website, here: http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2014/

ISSA/RC27 Sessions: ISSA/RC27 will organize the following sessions:
Session 1: Sociology of Sport in an Unequal World: Challenges for Global Sociology of Sport- Special session on the Congress theme
Session 2: Inclusion/exclusion in sport
Session 3: Sport, bodies and identity politics
Session 4: Sport, health and risk
Session 5: Sport, politics and policy I
Session 6: Media and sport I
Session 7: Media and sport II
Session 8: Sport and national identity I
Session 9: Sport and national identity II
Session 10: Globalization and sport
Session 11: Sport, spectacle and mega events
Session 12: Sport, politics and policy II
Session 13: Sport and development
Session 14: Children, Youth and Sport
Session 15: Sport in Asia
Session 16: Contemporary Issues in the Sociology of Sport I
Session 17: Contemporary Issues in the Sociology of Sport II
Session 18: RC27/ISSA Business Meeting
OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE)

The 6th edition of the Directory of Sport Science is now available both as electronic and print version. It has been edited and produced by Margaret Talbot, Herbert Haag and Kari Keskinen together with ICSSPE and a team of distinguished international scholars. The book has been published by Human Kinetics.

All ICSSPE members interested in receiving the print version can request one free copy through contacting Dennis Kreyenborg (dkreyenborg@icsspe.org) and Jörg Pluschkat (jpluschkat@icsspe.org). The electronic version meanwhile can be downloaded through the members’ section on the ICSSPE website.

Interesting resources:

- Multi-disciplinary material (e.g. Sport Biomechanics, Sport and Exercise Medicine, Sport History, Adapted Physical Activity, Physical Education, Sport Management or Sports Law – academic and professional resources)
- Up-to-date information about Sport Science and multi-disciplinary thematic areas of interests
- Forum for knowledge exchange and collaboration
- Directory or the Designed to Move Report

You can view the current ICSSPE newsletter at: https://icsspe.org/newsletter/may-2013

International Olympic Committee

In the framework of the preparation of a temporary exhibition on sport and the notion of time the IOC is looking for a sport sociologist who has conducted research on the perception of time over the centuries and cultures.

Please communicate with

Nuria Puig
Head of University Relations
IOC Olympic Studies Centre

THE OLYMPIC MUSEUM
Email: nuria.puig@olympic.org

For more information on the Olympic Studies Centre, visit www.olympic.org/studies
Professor/Associate Professor of the sociology of sport

At the section Sport, Politics and Welfare at the Department of Nutrition, Exercise and Sports, Copenhagen University, a position as associate professor or professor in the sociology of sport is available.

The position includes research in the sociology of sport. Ability to combine sociological and historical research methods will be beneficial. We welcome applicants from all over the world specialized in sports sociology or sociologists with an interest in sport sociology in general and Scandinavian sports in particular to apply for the position.

Applicants are required to have university level teaching experience, documented teaching competencies and must be able to explain and reflect upon own teaching practice and portfolio. Formal pedagogical training or supervision equivalent to the University of Copenhagen teacher training programme for assistant professors is required in order to obtain a permanent position.

The main duties are to contribute to the provision and development of the Department’s master’s programs and supervision of post-graduate students as well as contributing to graduate and under-graduate teaching.

Duties include the applicant’s own research, development of the field, assessment tasks, grant applications, and research management such as supervision and training of research fellows and other staff. The successful applicant must also teach, supervise, prepare and participate in examinations, and fulfil other tasks requested by the Department.

Assessment of applicants will primarily consider their level of documented, original scientific production at an international level, including contributions to developments in their field, as well as their documented teaching qualifications. Managerial and out-reach qualifications of applicants including ability to attract external funding will also be considered.

The research group conducts both historical and sociological investigations into how sport has evolved in various political and cultural contexts. The associate professor or professor of the sociology of sport will be part of a lively and intellectually stimulating research community which performs to the highest international levels in research and publications and will have access to the excellent research facilities which the newly merged Department of Nutrition, Exercise and Sports offers in the heart of Copenhagen. In addition, there will be rich opportunities for close working relations with the general sociological milieus in Copenhagen.

Further information on the Department is linked at http://www.science.ku.dk/english/about-the-faculty/departments/. Inquiries about the position can be made to Arne Astrup (E-mail:ast@life.ku.dk).

The position is open from 1 September 2013 or as soon as possible thereafter.

The University wishes our staff to reflect the diversity of society and thus welcomes applications from all qualified candidates regardless of personal background.
Terms of employment
The position is covered by the Memorandum on Job Structure for Academic Staff.
Terms of appointment and payment accord to the agreement between the Ministry of Finance and The Danish Confederation of Professional Associations on Academics in the State.

Commencing salary is currently
For Professors - DKK 579,959 including annual supplement (+ pension DKK 99,173) or for Assoc. Professor - up to DKK 441,149 including annual supplement (+ pension up to DKK 75,437)

Negotiation for salary supplement is possible.

The application, in English, must be submitted electronically by clicking APPLY ONLINE below.

Please include
• Curriculum vitae
• Diplomas
• Research plan - description of current and future research plans
• Description and documentation of teaching experience and qualifications according to university guidelines
• Complete publication list
• Separate reprints of 5 particularly relevant papers
The deadline for applications is 30 May 2013.

Interviews/trial lectures will be held on 14 August 2013.

Please refer to the following no. in future communication in this case: 211-0186.

Apply online

Founded in 1479, the University of Copenhagen is the oldest university in Denmark. With 37,000 students and 9,000 employees, it is among the largest universities in Scandinavia and one of the highest ranking in Europe. The University consists of six faculties, which cover Health and Medical Sciences, Humanities, Law, Science, Social Sciences and Theology.

Deadline: 30-05-2013
Publisher: Faculty of Science

Routledge are pleased to offer you 14 DAYS FREE ACCESS to the sport and leisure collection including International Journal of Sport Policy and Politics. All you need to do is visit: http://www.tandfonline.com/r/sportstudies and sign in to your Taylor & Francis Online Account. Don’t have an account? Register here to enjoy your access to over 25 cutting-edge journals.

Online access for 14 days from activation, to all content published from 2011 to 2012. Voucher can be activated once and valid until 31/12/2013.
The Department of Sport and Physical Activity at Edge Hill University is proud to be hosting the 2013 European Sports Development Network (ESDN) Conference http://www.esdn.webs.com/.

This year’s two-day event will examine the various opportunities, challenges and possibilities facing policy-makers and practitioners working in sport and related domains in Europe and beyond. Bringing together academics, policy-makers and practitioners working in local, national and international contexts, the conference will take stock of the current policy landscape and consider the ways in which practitioners endeavour to achieve their objectives in increasingly challenging and highly politicized policy contexts to enhance comparative policy learning. Thinking and acting differently within this climate, together with the benefits of learning from other policy sectors, will ensure the conference offers a cutting-edge insight into the possible futures of sport policy and development practice in the UK and beyond.

Papers that address the key themes of the conference are welcome on the following topics:

- Youth sport, school sport and physical education
- Sport, physical activity and health promotion
- Safeguarding, welfare and the law
- Sport participation: evidence, trends and future trajectories
- Delivering sport in local communities: partnerships, clubs, volunteers
- Elite sports development: the ‘global sporting arms race’
- Sport-for-development: local and global perspectives
- Teaching and learning approaches in sport policy and development
- Open papers

**Poster Presentations:**

The Conference Organisers would also welcome poster presentations that address the above themes from registered students only. Posters will be displayed during lunch on both days of the conference and are intended to help students gain valuable experience of discussing their work in a supportive environment with colleagues in the field.

**Confirmed Keynote Speakers:**

- Professor Veerle De Bosscher (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) ([http://www.vub.ac.be/SBMA/veerle-de-bosscher-professor-rank-lecturer](http://www.vub.ac.be/SBMA/veerle-de-bosscher-professor-rank-lecturer))
- Professor Lindsey Dugdill (University of Salford) ([http://www.salford.ac.uk/health-sciences/health-academics/cxs135](http://www.salford.ac.uk/health-sciences/health-academics/cxs135))
- Professor Barrie Houlihan (Loughborough University) ([http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/staff/professor-barrie-houlihan-.html](http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/staff/professor-barrie-houlihan-.html))
- Professor Ken Roberts (University of Liverpool) ([http://www.liverpool.ac.uk/sociology-social-policy-and-criminology/staff/kenneth-roberts/](http://www.liverpool.ac.uk/sociology-social-policy-and-criminology/staff/kenneth-roberts/))
- Dr David Stensel (Loughborough University) ([http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/staff/dr-david-stensel.html](http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/staff/dr-david-stensel.html))
Current professional football referee, **Howard Webb**, who refereed the 2010 football World Cup final, will provide an after dinner speech on 4 September.

**How to Get Published in Sport Policy and Development:**
The Editors of the *International Journal of Sport Policy and Politics* will discuss their experiences of publishing articles in the field and will host a ‘Meet the Editors’ Workshop for all attendees on 4 September.

**Guidelines for the Submission of Abstracts**
Abstracts of no more than **250 words** should be sent to the conference team by e-mail ([esdn2013@edgehill.ac.uk](mailto:esdn2013@edgehill.ac.uk)) by **30 May 2013**.

All abstracts **must contain** the following information and be submitted as a Microsoft Word file:

- Name of lead presenter
- Contact e-mail address and telephone number for lead presenter
- List of authors and affiliations (where appropriate)
- Title of presentation
- Conference theme addressed by the presentation

Further details will appear on the conference website in due course: [http://www.edgehill.ac.uk/sport/esdn2013/](http://www.edgehill.ac.uk/sport/esdn2013/)

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**Two-day conference, Sport and Leisure Cultures**  
19th – 20th September, 2013  
[University of Brighton](http://www.edgehill.ac.uk/sport/esdn2013/)

**Sport, Leisure and Social Justice**  
(Conference co-chairs: Drs Burdsey, Caudwell and Wheaton)

This conference aims to explore and expand questions regarding the role of both sport and academics in addressing issues surrounding social justice and equity. Specifically: How have the traditions of academics & public intellectualism shifted? What is, and should be, the relationship between academics and social activism? How can universities continue to engage with concerns about equality, human rights and social justice?

Within an increasingly neoliberal, market-driven higher educational context Henry Giroux identifies that the university in contemporary times has come to resemble ‘a marketing machine essential to the production of identities in which the only obligation of citizenship is to be a consumer’ (2012, p.246). He asks:

> What role should the university play at a time when politics is being emptied out of any connection to a civic literacy, informed judgement, and critical dialogue, further deepening a culture of illiteracy, cruelty, hypermasculinity, and disposability? (ibid, emphasis added.)

Critical commentators, including Giroux, are thus promoting the potential role of education-based interventions in challenging this process. Indeed, they are emphasising not only the abilities, but also the **responsibilities** of academics in establishing a "politics of advocacy and
possibility”, and engaging in “acts of activism” (cf. Denzin and Giardina, 2012). The potential contributions made by academics and students are seen as central because the university represents ‘a vital democratic public sphere that cultivates the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for the production of a democratic polity’ (Giroux, 2012, p. 246). More broadly, Les Back and Nirmal Puwar (2012, p. 14) argue that:

What we choose to be concerned with, or focus on and listen to, involves making judgements not only about what is valuable but also what is important. Sociology has a public responsibility to pay attention to vulnerable and precarious lives.

Specifically related to sport studies, sport practices and sport cultures, we engage with four themes:

- Socio-cultural scholars of sport and leisure as public intellectuals
- Sport development and peace (SDP)
- Sporting communities and campaigns for change
- Social Justice through media, new media, film and documentaries

The conference will be hosted by the Sport and Leisure Cultures research cluster at the University of Brighton. Priority areas of interest and expertise include: sport, politics and international relations; communities, exclusions and the cultural politics of resistance in sport; traditional and new media cultures and the sporting landscape; and ‘alternative’ lifestyle and non-mainstream sporting cultures. We also welcome input from other relevant areas.

We envisage a lively event prioritising debate and discussion. Potential contributors are encouraged to submit abstracts of 150 words for one of the following forms of presentation:

- 20-minute conference paper
- Poster presentation
- 15-minute round table paper proposal (either individual papers or as a group of up to 4 papers)

The conference is supported by: British Sociological Association Leisure and Recreation Group, Political Studies Association Sport and Politics Group and Taylor and Francis Publishers.

Please send abstracts to d.c.burdsey@brighton.ac.uk and j.c.caudwell@brighton.ac.uk

**Deadline date: Monday 1st July, 2013**

**2nd Global Conference on Sport**
Friday 1st November 2013  Sunday 3rd November 2013, Athens, Greece

**Call for Presentations**

Who benefits from sport? The question in the modern world is complex, and demands interdisciplinary approaches to its solution. Sport in modernity is an everyday part of leisure lives, an aspirational physical activity or something that gives people a sense of belonging through being sports fans. Sport can be a vehicle for social and economic development, yet the economic and political formations of globalisation and modernity bring the spectre of contracts, deals, profits and the pursuit of glory at the expense of everything good about sport.
This conference, the second global conference on Sport held by IDN, aims to bring together scholars from a wide range of disciplines: sociology, cultural studies, philosophy, history, political studies, urban studies, management and marketing, geography, and psychology and sport science who are interested in exploring sport's social, political and economic influences and roles. We are interested in sport's histories, sport in the here and now and sport's futures. The project is for cheerleaders of sport, critics of sport, and all those in-between who would like to make a contribution to this inter-disciplinary approach to understanding sport.

We would be interested in research or theory papers on the following themes:
- Sport and social identity
- Youth sport
- Amateur sport
- Ontology of sport
- Ethics and sport
- Sport for development
- Commercialization and sport
- Sport and place
- Sports management and sports marketing
- History of modern sport
- Sport and communities
- Sport and popular culture
- Sport and celebrities
- The politics of sport
- Sports fandom

WHAT TO SEND:

The Steering Group particularly welcomes the submission of pre-formed panel proposals. 300 word abstracts should be submitted by Friday 14th June 2013. If an abstract is accepted for the conference, a full draft paper or outline of the presentation should be submitted by Friday 13th September 2013.

300 word abstracts should be submitted simultaneously to both Organising Chairs; abstracts may be in Word, WordPerfect, or RTF formats with the following information and in this order:

a) author(s), b) affiliation, c) email address, d) title of abstract, e) body of abstract, f) up to 10 keywords.

E-mails should be entitled: SPORT2 Abstract Submission.

WHO TO:
Joint Organising Chairs:
Karl Spracklen: K.Spracklen@leedsmet.ac.uk Rob Fisher: sport2@inter-disciplinary.net

The conference is part of the making Sense Of: programme of research projects. It aims to bring together people from different areas and interests to share ideas and explore various discussions which are innovative and exciting.

For further details of the conference, please visit:
http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/probing-the-boundaries/persons/sport/call-for-papers/
OTHER CALL FOR PAPERS (JOURNALS)

The Sociology of Animals in Sport—Special Issue of Sociology of Sport Journal

Guest Editor: Kevin Young

The sociology of sport has much to be proud of when it comes to playing a leading role in public knowledge about a broad panorama of social issues, including social issues that are sensitive, controversial and/or socially urgent and impacting. The role that animals occupy in the “sporting” cultures of the world represents one glaring exception. While this role has not been fully ignored, and while some research is available, surprisingly little of it is sociological. Almost all of the extant work on animals involved in human play, sport, leisure or entertainment comes from other disciplines, a fact that does not reflect flatteringly on our own discipline. As Arnold Arluke observed in the Editor’s introduction to the first edition of the groundbreaking (but not sociological) journal Society and Animals almost twenty years ago, “It is ironic that so little research interest has been paid to studying the human experience of them when animals occupy such a commanding presence in our society ... as concerns mount and consciousness changes ... over the proper use of animals, the findings of researchers will be absolutely crucial to make what is often an emotionally charged and highly polarized debate more reasoned and informed.” In sociological circles at least, and certainly in the sociology of sport, little progress has been made. It is clear that we live in a time of growing sensitivities to how we „engage” animals in/as physical culture—as companions, as “game”, as food, as “athletes” to observe, support and bet on, and as sources of mass entertainment. At the center of this debate is the thorny question of how humans should treat their animal companions, and whether the techniques of neutralization that have conventionally been used to rationalize risk, pain, death, or consumption and entertainment of various kinds are as compelling as they once were in a dynamic contemporary culture apparently increasingly concerned with the use, and abuse, of animals. But the mistreatment of animals is merely one (albeit important) dimension of the humans-animals-sport nexus. Therefore, the substantive focus of papers for this special issue on animals in sport may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- How the use of animals in sport interfaces with culture, social class, religion and/or other social stratifiers;
- Ethical dimensions of using animals for popular entertainment;
- Definitional/conceptual ways of thinking about animals in physical and sport-related cultures;
- Breeding, training and performance practices;
- The role of the authorities, policy and law in animal sports cultures;
- Sporting animals and social change;
- Sport subcultures which feature and/or depend on animal “competitors”; and,
- Animals, medicalization and experimentation.

Papers, from all international settings where animals feature in sport and leisure pursuits, are solicited. Authors should follow the “Submission Guidelines for Authors” used in every issue of Sociology of Sport Journal found at http://journals.humankinetics.com/submission-guidelines-ssj. The paper should be roughly 8,000 words including endnotes and reference list. Submit original manuscripts online to: http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/hk_ssj

Please address questions to Dr. Kevin Young (kyoung@ucalgary.ca)
Due date for papers: June 30, 2013