

Forty-Sixth Annual Convention of the North American Society for Sport History (NASSH)

Hosted by the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

The City of Winnipeg and the University of Manitoba are located on Treaty 1 territory, the original lands of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

Submission Deadline: Friday, January 5, 2018

The 46th annual convention of the North American Society for Sport History will be held at the University of Manitoba, May 25-28, 2018. For more information, visit the [NASSH 2018 web page](#). The Program Committee encourages NASSH members and others interested in the scholarly study of sport history to submit proposals in three categories.

1. **Proposals for individual papers:** (20-minute presentation time) which the program committee will then group into appropriate sessions.
2. **Proposals for complete thematic sessions:** 95 minutes - typically composed of 3 presenters at 20 minutes each, a 20-minute commentary, and 15-minute discussion. Sessions containing four thematically connected papers may also be submitted. Proposals for complete sessions are strongly encouraged.
3. **Proposals for panel presentations:** Panels must also adhere to the 95-minute session format. Before submitting a panel presentation, please contact the Program Chair, David K. Wiggins (dwiggin1@gmu.edu/703-993-2057)

The deadline for submission for all types of presentations is Friday, January 5, 2018. Please submit all proposals to the online abstract submission page found here. Letters of acceptance or rejection will be sent in early February. The Program Committee will evaluate all submissions according to their individual merit, contribution to the field, and fit within the total program. Proposals that do not provide all the information requested will be returned to the author(s). Please contact David K. Wiggins (dwiggin1@gmu.edu/703-993-2057) with any questions.

Implicit Agreement to Attend Conference. Submission of an abstract indicates the author's and co-authors' intent to register for the conference at the appropriate conference fee and to be available to present on any of the three days of the conference. Again, a presenter must be a NASSH member in good standing—that is, his/her membership dues must be paid by **February 28, 2018**, to be on the final program.

Publication of Abstracts Pre-Conference. Accepted abstracts will be posted to the NASSH website prior to the conference. Authors will have an opportunity to edit them prior to their publication.

Program Committee

Chair: David K. Wiggins, George Mason University (dwiggin1@gmu.edu/703-993-2057)

Committee Members: Carly Adams, University of Lethbridge; Kim Beckwith, University of Texas at Austin; Chris Elzey, George Mason University; Gary James, Manchester Metropolitan University; and Kevin Witherspoon, Lander University.

Graduate Student Information

Graduate students who have a paper accepted for the 2018 NASSH convention are eligible for a grant from the Roberta Park Graduate Travel Fund. No application is needed; treasurer Thomas Hunt will distribute checks at the conference. Annual interest from the Park Fund is divided equitably among all graduate students presenting at the conference to help defray the costs of travel and accommodation at the convention. The amount of the grant is expected to be approximately \$300 in 2018. Graduate students are also encouraged to enter the NASSH Graduate Essay Competition which is described on the NASSH website. **Please note that graduate students who have their paper accepted are expected to have the financial wherewithal to attend the conference, no matter the amount of the contribution from the Roberta Park Graduate Travel Fund.**

Guidelines for Submitting Individual Abstracts (Deadline: Friday, January 5, 2018)

Submit via the [NASSH online abstract submission page](#).

Required information includes 1) title of presentation; 2) corresponding author; 3) corresponding author email; 4) author affiliation; 5) abstract (300-500 words); 6) session topic suggestions. You may also list additional authors (along with their emails and affiliation). *It is the policy of NASSH that in order for an author's name to appear in the NASSH Program and the Conference Proceedings, that the author must be present at the conference.* If you are submitting a paper with more than one author, all authors are expected to attend.

The abstract should include the question(s) addressed in the paper, the evidence to be used, a precise statement of the argument and conclusions, and what significance the paper has to our understanding of sport history.

For the session topic suggestions, please list two broad thematic session topics for which this paper might be appropriate. (Ex: session on modern Olympics, session on women in sport, session on doping, session on race and sport, session on sport in Europe, etc.) Further, if you are aware of another paper on a related topic that might fit well with yours (even though not a complete session) please list this for the program committee.

Guidelines for Submitting Complete Sessions (Deadline: Friday, January 5, 2018)

Submit via the [NASSH online abstract submission page](#).

Required information includes 1) title of session; 2) moderator (affiliation and email); 3) authors (names, affiliations, emails); 4) session abstract (250 words); and 5) presentations titles and abstracts. Each session should have one moderator, three paper presentations, and one commentator. NASSH recommends the inclusion of a commentator; however, you may alternatively submit a session with four papers and exclude a commentator.

The session abstract should include a discussion of its theme and argument, a description of the relationship among the papers, and a statement about the significance of the session to our understanding of sport history (150-250 words). The paper abstracts should include the question(s) addressed in the papers, the evidence to be used, a precise statement of the argument and conclusions, and what significance the papers have to our understanding of sport history (300-500 words each maximum).

Guidelines for Submitting Panel Presentations (Deadline: Friday, January 5, 2018)

You may submit an abstract for a panel presentation. Please contact Program Coordinator David K. Wiggins (dwiggin1@gmu.edu/703-993-2057) to submit a panel. The panel should address a significant topic in sport history. You should include information regarding the topic, the research question, and the potential significance of the session to our understanding of sport history (250-500 words).

General Guidelines for NASSH Presentations

*("presenter" refers to authors and all co-authors)

1. Individuals whose papers are accepted by the program committee must agree to present the paper in person and to attend and participate in other conference sessions.
2. Each presenter must be a NASSH member in good standing.
3. Each presenter must register for the conference.
4. NASSH encourages the inclusion of diverse perspectives and communities at its conference and in its work. Those submitting proposals for panels are advised to ensure that the constitution of the panel reflects, or comments upon, the constitution of the field and/or research topic that is being addressed.
5. Except for supporting graduate students through the Roberta Park Fund, NASSH pays no honoraria or any other expenses for speakers to prepare papers or to attend the conference.
6. Papers are to be original works, not published or presented in full elsewhere.
7. Individuals whose abstracts are accepted by the program committee must deliver the paper summarized by the abstract and not some other piece of work.
8. An individual can present only one paper or participate in one panel session at a NASSH conference. (A presenter may, however, also moderate a session or serve as a commentator.)
9. Presenters should not be the moderator of the session in which they present.
10. All abstracts accepted for presentation will be posted on the NASSH Website prior to the conference and be published in the annual NASSH Proceedings. It is essential that presenters adhere to the above-mentioned Guidelines For Submitting Individual Abstracts.
11. Moderators will firmly enforce time limits for papers. Speakers should plan on no more than two minutes per page (calculated on the time it takes to read a double-spaced page in 12 point Times New Roman font consisting of 25 lines).
12. LCD projectors will be available. Please let the conference hosts know if speakers or other media are needed. They may not be able to accommodate all requests.
13. **The deadline for submitting completed papers to commentator(s) and to other members of the session is May 1, 2018.** Commentators have some autonomy in working with presenters on this deadline.
14. Participants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with recommendations on accessibility of presentations and multimedia-based materials. Please consult the World Wide Web Consortium's Web Initiative Guidelines on Presentation Accessibility: <https://www.w3.org/WAI/training/accessible>