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Part I

Here is the second issue of the HOPOS Newsletter. We are distributing the electronic version of the Newsletter in four separate parts (including this table of contents as Part I) in order not to fill your mailbox with overly long messages. All four parts will be mailed at the same time. Among the items to which you might want to pay special attention is the call for papers

for a special HOPOS session at the October 1994 joint PSA/HSS/4S meeting in New Orleans, this in Part II (item 3.a). We are happy to distribute a hardcopy version of the Newsletter to those who request it, but in order to save on expenses, we would like to deliver it to as many people as possible in this electronic form; so please bear with us as we experiment with this new form of communication. \* CONTENTS: \* 1. What's New with HOPOS? [Part II] \* 2. Dues. [Part II]

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Part II

# 1. WHAT'S NEW WITH HOPOS?

HOPOS continues to grow far beyond the expectations of those of us who first began talking about the need for a new professional organization a little over a year ago. We now have nearly four-hundred subscribers to our

electronic discussion list, HOPOS-L. Some one-hundred printed copies of the

Newsletter are being mailed out, this in addition to distribution over the list. Our call for voluntary dues has provided us with a modest budget to help with the cost of mailing the Newsletter. A special HOPOS session has been proposed for the 1993 HSS meeting, and we are, with this issue of the Newsletter, issuing a call for proposals for HOPOS sessions at the 1994 joint

HSS/PSA/4S meeting. George Gale has established an array of new HOPOS network

facilities, including the HOPOS Pedagogy Archive, at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Finally, discussions have been initiated that will lead, we hope, to the publication of a special HOPOS issue of one of the leading HPS journals. Most all of these developments are discussed in more detail below.

# 2. DUES.

It was decided at our meeting at the October 1992 Chicago PSA that HOPOS would ask for annual voluntary dues in the amount of \$15.00 (US dollars), to

help with the cost of preparing and distributing the newsletter. We began the

collection of dues at the start of the 1993 calendar year. Many people have

responded generously, but many have not. We need and appreciate all of the help that we can get in meeting the costs associated with the production of the Newsletter.

If you can help, please make your checks payable (preferably in US dollars) to HOPOS, and send them to Don Howard; Department of Philosophy; University of Kentucky; Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0027; USA.

- 3. UPCOMING HOPOS-SPONSORED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.
- a. HOPOS SESSIONS AT THE OCTOBER 1994 JOINT PSA/HSS/4S MEETING.

HOPOS is planning to sponsor one or more sessions at the joint meetings of the Philosophy of Science Association, History of Science Society, and the

Society for Social Studies of Science in New Orleans, October 13-16 1994. All

are invited to submit proposals in any area of the history of the philosophy

of science. Those interested in participating should send a brief abstract and

a short cv (about half a page) to:

Daniel Garber

Department of Philosophy

University of Chicago

1050 E. 59th St.

Chicago, IL 60637

(email: garb@midway.uchicago.edu)

Email submissions are especially encouraged. The deadline for submission is October 31, 1993. Individual papers may be submitted; we will try to

match such papers with others of similar themes to form one or more coherent

sessions. Alternatively, groups of scholars can submit complete sessions to

the program committee for possible inclusion. Other members of the program committee include Tom Oberdan (oberdat@clemson.bitnet) and Antonia Soulez. If

you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact any member of

the program committee.

b. HOPOS SESSION AT THE NOVEMBER 1993 HSS MEETING.

HOPOS has proposed and had accepted two HOPOS-sponsored sessions for the November 1993 History of Science Society Meeting in Sante Fe, New Mexico, 11-

14 November 1993. They are:

#### 1. PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE IN THE EARLY TWENTIETH CENTRUY.

Gary Hardcastle, "S.S. Stephens and the Science of Science."

Alan Richardson, "Toward a History of Rational Reconstruction."

George Gale, "The Amazing Epistemological Debate of 1937."

Roger Ariew, "Pierre Duhem and the German Mind."

# 2. DESCARTES, AUTOMATA, AND THE REPRESENTATION OF NATURE.

Brian Baigre, "Automata and Illusion."

Andre Gombay, "'The More Perfect the Maker, the More Perfect the Product."

Calvin Normore, "Automata and the Passions."

Specific days and times for these sessions have not yet been announced. But

make your plans now to come to Sante Fe in November. It's a lovely place and

a lovely time of year, the perfect setting for a gathering of the HOPOI.

# c. FUTURE ACTIVITIES.

We plan to continue organizing HOPOS sessions at future HSS and PSA meetings. But we also want very much to find HOPOS venues more convenient for

our European members. If you have any suggestions for how to do this, or if

you would like to help in organizing such events, please let us know.

Beyond that, we welcome any and all suggestions for other HOPOS-spon-

sored activities. Among the suggestions that some of our members have already

made are a HOPOS-sponsored NEH Summer Seminar. Would anyone like to take the

lead in organizing such an event? Again, please be generous, both with your

ideas and with your help.

- 4. OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS.
- a. SEPTEMBER 1993 BRITISH SOCIETY FOR PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE CONFERENCE.

The British Society for Philosophy of Science has a meeting in St.

Andrews 17-20 September 1993. Historical themes look well represented including:

The keynote paper by Crispin Wright: "Hume's Principle, Logicism and All That."

George Boolos and Richard Heck on Frege's \*Grundgesetze\*. (Is this the only centenary symposium for this seminal work?)

John Skorupski on "The Limits of Empiricism: Kant and Mill."

Information, registration, and booking forms from: Dr Peter Clark, (BSPS Conference), Department of Logic and Metaphysics, The University of St Andrews, St ANdrews, Fife, Scotland KY16 9AL.

b. INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS HENRI POINCARE, MAY 1994, NANCY, FRANCE.

ACERHP, the Archive-Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche Henri-Poincare, announces an international congress devoted to the work of Henri Poincare, 14-18 May 1994 in Nancy, France.

The conference is divided into two sections. Section 1, "Philosophy and Logic," is under the direction of a Scientific Committee consisting of: M. Astroh, Saarbrueken; G. Heinzmann, Nancy; R. Hilpinen, Turku; K. Lorenz, Saarbrueken; W. Risse, Saarbrueken; C. Thiel, Erlangen; and R. Tieszen, San Jose. Section 2, "Philosophy, Mathematics, and Physics," is under the direction of a Scientific Committee including: A. Dahan, Paris; P. Eymard, Nancy; J. Giedymin, Brighton;

J.-L. Greffe, Nancy; G.H. Mueller, Heidelberg; and K. Volkert,

Heidelberg.

Contributed papers may not exceed 30 minutes in length. Authors

of contributed papers are requested to submit three copies of an

abstract not exceeding one page before 30 September 1993, to one of the

following addresses of the Organizing Committee:

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The conference fee is 350 FF (150 FF for students) if paid before 31 January; thereafter the fee is 450 FF (250 FF for students). Those interested in participating in the conference should so indicate to a member of the organizing committee as soon as possible.

5. NEW HOPOS NETWORK FACILITIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY.

HOPOS net activities take on a new look 1 June 93. On that date the Pedagogy Archive, plus communications archives will open at the University of

Missouri, Kansas City. It is expected that HOPOS activities will occur in conjunction with those of various other science studies groups, such as the Society for the History of Technology (SHOT); more on those additional facil-

ities later. Support for this centralization of science studies network activities comes from UMKC's Graduate School, College of Arts and Sciences, Computer Support Services, and Department of Philosophy. HOPOS-L, our elec-

tronic discussion list, will continue to reside at the University of Kentucky

(hopos-l@ukcc.uky.edu).

The new HOPOS net facilities are located in the kasey (KC--Kansas City) server's gopher. Gopher is an interface developed by workers at the Univer-

sity of Minnesota--hence, the name. The interface is \*extremely\* user-friendly: All that is needed to navigate through the file structure are cursor controls and carriage-returns (= <c-r>). Once the intended files are

reached, they may be opened with a final <c-r>. After reading the file, or going directly to its end, it may be saved automatically to your home direc-

tory by simply typing the letter "s". Gopher interfaces are rapidly taking over most internet facilities for the simple reason that they're so easy to use. We're pleased to be able to offer science studies activities on the UMKC

gopher.

HOPOS archives may be reached by your typing "gopher kasey.umkc.edu" at your main prompt (i.e., not while you're in MAIL or EDIT or some other util-

ity). When the gopherboard opens, move the arrow or the cursor to Science Studies, hit <c-r> and you're off and running. Initially, the Communications

directory will contain sub-directories for Newsletters (back issues of the HOPOS Newsletter), our growing database of articles on Libraries, Archives, and Collections, as well as News and Meeting Announcements. More will be

added later. In the Pedagogy Archives, the two main sub-directories give you

the choice between Undergraduate and Graduate. And so on. It'll be far easier for you to check it out for yourself, than for you to try to understand

our trying to explain it! Go to the gopher and explore on your own.

Let us also once again urge you to send in your class syllabii for addition to the HOPOS Pedagogy Archive. For instructions on submitting syllabii,

see the next article.

#### 6. HOPOS PEDAGOGY ARCHIVE.

As mentioned in the previous article, George Gale has generously offered his services, and those of the computing center at the University of Missouri-

Kansas City, for the purpose of establishing the HOPOS Pedagogy Archive.

McGrew, at Washington State University, is helping George to develop the Pedagogy Archive. The aim is to collect in one place, in an electronically-

accessible form, a wide variety of course materials that might be of use to HOPOS members. We are starting by inviting the submission of course syllabii.

The Archive will be accessible in its new form starting 1 June (see the

previous article for instructions on access). Several members have already contributed syllabii, but we are still looking forward to a great number of you making contributions to what ought to prove a very useful group effort. To this end, we are looking for syllabii that would be useful to people teaching philosophy or history of science--or other relevant species of science studies--at any level from general undergraduate courses to focussed,

graduate level seminars. Later the archive will be expanded to include many

other pedagogical tools (classroom examples, bibliographies, reading questions

on various texts, etc).

To help us organize these materials in the most useful way, contributors should fill out the brief header which follows. Then simply append the syllabus to the header (in ASCII text, of course--the simplest possible way)

and send it to George Gale at ggale@vax1.umkc.edu or to Tim McGrew at mcgrew@jaguar.csc.wsu.edu. Alternatively, you may send a diskette containing

the syllabus (preferably in ASCII format, but any standard wordprocessor format will do) to: Professor George D. Gale; Department of Philosophy; 222 Cockefair; University of Missouri-Kansas City; Kansas City, Missouri 64110-2499. We will compile all of the contributions, and when a suitable number is reached, they will be placed in the gopher-accessible archive at UMKC.

We should emphasize again that this facility is open to all contributors
who teach science studies coursesthere is no restriction on methodological
or philosophical orientation.
Thank you in advance for your contributions!
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# 7. LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES, AND COLLECTIONS.

We are continuing in this issue what is intended as a regular feature of the Newsletter, namely, brief articles describing libraries, archives, and other collections of research materials of potential use to HOPOS members. Please give us suggestions for additional resources of this kind that you would like to see profiled in future issues of the Newsletter. Please let us

know also about news concerning collections of interest to HOPOS members, such

as the additional of new materials to a particular collection.

a. NIEDERSAECHSISCHE STAATS- UND UNIVERSITAETSBIBLIOTHEK GOETTINGEN

(STATE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY OF LOWER SAXONY)--DEPARTMENT OF

MANUSCRIPTS AND RARE BOOKS.

The library was founded as the Koenigliche Universitaetsbibliothek in 1734 and was conceived as the first modern academic library dedicated to the interests of its readers. Today it serves as the central library of the Georg August University and at the same time as the library of the Academy of Sciences in Goettingen. The Department of Manuscripts and Rare Books is in charge of the most precious holdings of the library at present a total of more than 1,700 shelf meters. Besides manuscripts, incunabula and rare books are part of the responsibility of the department. With its present holdings of approximately 10,000 manuscripts, the papers (Nachlaesse) of about 300 faculty members of Goettingen University, and more than 100,000 autograph letters, the manuscript collection contains rich source material for the history of various fields of knowledge, eras, and societies.

A special asset of the Geottingen manuscript holdings are the scientific papers of more than 300 scholars, most of whom were professors at Goettingen University. In principle, these papers cover the whole spectrum of subjects taught at the university, but the materials of mathematicians and scientists from the eighteenth to the twentieth centuries play a dominant role and not only because of their number.

Here is just a short list of the more prominent collections in the natural sciences and mathematics:

Anthropology: Johann Friedrich Blumenbach

Astronomy: Karl Friedrich Gauss

Tobias Meyer

Wilhelm Olbers

Karl Schwarzschild

Botany: Ferdinand Andreas Bauer

J.G.A Forster

Chemistry: Bernhard Tollens

Friedrich Woehler

Geology: Adolf von Koenen

Geophysics: Emil Wiechert

Mathematics: Georg Cantor

Richard Dedekind

Karl Friedrich Gauss

Gustav Herglotz

David Hilbert

Adolf Hurwitz

Felix Klein

Julius Pluecker

Bernhard Riemann

Medicine: Johann Friedrich Blumenbach

Jacob Henle

Friedrich Benjamin Osiander

Physics: Georg Christoph Lichtenberg

Johann Benedikt Listing

Karl Gottfried Neumann

Wilhelm Weber

Besides these personal collections, there are files on several institutions, such as the Goettingen Observatory and the Goettingen Vereinigung zur Foerderung der angewandten Physik und Mathematik. A detailed description of individual collections can be consulted in the reading room of the department.

The department is located in the old building of the library, which can be found in the historic center of Goettingen (about ten minutes walking distance from Goettingen main station). The postal

address is:

Niedersaechsische Staats- und Universitaetsbibliothek

Abteilung fuer Handschriften und seltene Drucke

Papendiek 14

D-37070 Goettingen

**GERMANY** 

The department is open to the public Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 to 5:00 PM. The curator in charge of the collection is Dr. Helmut Rohlfing, who may be reached at the above address, by telephone at 0551-39-5236 or 0551-39-5235, and by fax at 0551-39-5384. Requests for permission to quote from materials in the department and any questions concerning the collection should be directed to the curator, who will gladly try to assist readers in their research.

b. COLLECTIONS PROFILED IN PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER.

Copies of these articles will be available after 1 June in the HOPOS directory at: gopher kasey.umkc.edu.

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- 1. ARCHIVES OF SCIENTIFIC PHILOSOPHY IN THE 20TH CENTURY, University of Pittsburgh.
- 2. PHILOSOPHICAL ARCHIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KONSTANZ.

#### 8. RELATED ORGANIZATIONS.

We are also continuing another regular feature with this second issue of the Newsletter, profiles other of organizations, institutes, programs, and their sponsored publications, in cases where their aims are somewhat similar

to or overlap with those of HOPOS. Please let us know of other such groups or

programs that you would like to see profiled in future issues of our newsletter.

a. INTERNATIONAL HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, AND SCIENCE TEACHING GROUP

The International History, Philosophy, and Science Teaching Group was established in 1987; it staged its first international conference in Tallahassee, Florida in 1989, and its second in Kingston, Ontario in 1992. The first volume of its journal, SCIENCE & EDCUCATION: CONTRIBUTIONS FROM HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, AND SOCIOLOGY OF SCIENCE AND MATHE-

MATICS, was published in 1992; it is edited by Michael R. Matthews, Education Department, University of Auckland, NEW ZEALAND.

The group is concerned to promote the betterment of school and university science and mathematics education by making it informed by the history, philosophy, and sociology of science and mathematics. It has a particular interest in bringing these spheres of knowledge into teacher-education programmes. The group is concerned to develop a coherent philosophy of education for teaching the natural sciences, and to demonstrate how enriched education in the sciences can contribute to the overall education and development of individuals and cultures.

#### GOALS:

The group through its activities and journal promotes:

- (a) The utilization of historical, philosophical and sociological scholarship to clarify and deal with the many curriculum, pedagogical, and theoretical issues facing contemporary science and mathematics education.
- (b) Collaboration between the communities of scientists, mathematicians, historians, philosophers, cognitive psychologists, sociologists, science and mathematics educators, and school and

college teachers.

- (c) An understanding of the philosophical, cultural, economic, religious, psychological and ethical dimensions of modern science and the interplay of these factors in the history of science and mathematics.
- (d) The inclusion of appropriate history, philosophy, and sociology of science and mathematics courses in science and mathematics teacher-education programmes.
- (e) The dissemination of accounts of lessons, units of work, and programmes in science and mathematics, at all levels, that have successfully utilized history, philosophy, and sociology.
- (f) The republication, and translation, of classic articles in the field that are unavailable to many scholars due to obscurity, age, or language of publication.
- (g) Discussion of the philosophy and purposes of science and mathematics education, and their place in, and contribution to, the intellectual and ethical development of individuals and cultures.

#### ELECTRONIC MAIL NETWORK:

The International Group maintains an Electronic Mail list for exchange of information. Details about this and access to it can be obtained from Professor Skip Hills, Faculty of Education, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. E-mail: hillss@qucdn.queensu.ca.

# GROUP MEMBERSHIP AND JOURNAL SUBSCRIPTION:

Membership of the International History, Philosophy, and Science

Teaching Group and subscription to the journal SCIENCE & EDUCATION are

one and the same thing. As well as scholarly research articles, the

journal contains book reviews, book notes, news, letters and information

about the activities of the group. Recent and forthcoming contributors

include: Helge Kragh, Gerd Buchdahl, I. Bernard Cohen, Lewis Pyenson,

Harry Collins, Steven Shapin, Yehuda Elkana, Robert S. Cohen, and John

Heilbron.

For further information about IHPST membership or subscription to the journal, SCIENCE & EDUCATION (US\$ 30/yr, NZ\$60/yr), write to:

Michael R. Matthews; Education Department; University of Auckland; NEW ZEALAND; fax: 64-9-3737455; e-mail: mr.matthews@aukuni.ac.nz.

b. ORGANIZATIONS PROFILED IN PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER.

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- 1. ASSOCIATION HENRI POINCARE, Paris.
- 2. INSTITUT "WIENER KREIS," Vienna.

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9. JOURNALS, BOOKS, AND SERIES.

If you have information about books journals or series that might be of special interest to HOPOS members, especially new publishing ventures, please

let us know so that we can publicize them in the pages of the HOPOS News-

letter. In this issue we feature two new journals.

# a. BRITISH JOURNAL FOR THE HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY.

The British Society for the History of Philosophy now has an official journal, THE BRITISH JOURNAL FOR THE HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY (BJHP), under the editorship of G.A.J. Rogers. The first issue was published in February 1993 and it is to be published on a semi-annual basis in February and October of each year. Paraphrasing from the announcement:

The BJHP includes articles and reviews on the history of philosophy and related intellectual history from the ancient world through to the early decades of the twentieth century, with particular emphasis on the period from the Renaissance to the 1940s. Its primary objective is to foster understanding of the history of philosophy through a deeper appreciation of the arguments of past philosophers by a study of their texts, and through a proper awareness of the context--intellectual, political and social--in which the text was created. Although full attention is given to the recognized classics of philosophy, due consideration is also given to less major figures and to issues in disciplines other than philosophy as currently conceived--theology, the natural and social

sciences, for instance--in so far as they throw light on the history of philosophy.

Contributions (papers, discussion notes or books to be reviewed), as well as enquiries as to stylistic conventions, are welcome and should be sent to: G.A.J. Rogers, Editor, BJHP, Department of Philosophy, Keele University, Keele, Staffordshire ST5 5BG, ENGLAND.

# b. THE EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY.

There is another new journal that may interest members of HOPOS: the EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY. Edited by Mark Sacks (Essex, UK). Editorial Committee: David Bell (Sheffield, UK), Peter Bieri (Marburg, Germany), Monique Canto-Sperber (Paris, France), Vincent Descombes (Paris, France), Axel Honneth (Berlin, Germany), Onora O'Neill (Cambridge, UK).

The blurb on the back cover reads in part:

In view of a growing desire to overcome current insularity [among philosophical schools in Europe], the EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY aims to constitute a forum to which all philosophers, both inside and outside

Europe, can turn to rediscover th diversity and variety of the European tradition. Maintaining a healthy respect for the existing variety, the EJP sets out to constitute a platform that will enhance exchanges between individuals within a given tradition and encourage the exchange of idea between traditions.

Volume 1, Number 1 is April 1993. For HOPOSers the most interesting thing in the first issue is John Skorupski's long and interesting review of Coffa's THE SEMANTIC TRADITION FROM KANT TO CARNAP.

Subscription prices are (institutions/individuals): 75/25 pounds sterling in Europe and the UK; 110/30 US\$ in North America; 80/30 pounds sterling in the rest of the world.

Subscriptions to: Journals Marketing Manager, Blackwell Publishers, 108 Cowley Road, Oxford OX4 1JF, UK or 238 Main Street, Cambridge, MA 02142, USA.

c. JOURNALS PROFILED IN PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER.

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- 1. PERSPECTIVES ON SCIENCE (University of Chicago Press).
- 2. STUDIES IN HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE (Pergamon).

- 3. PHILOSOPHIA MATHEMATICA (University of Toronto Press).
- 4. CONFIGURATIONS (Johns Hopkins University Press).

# 10. HOPOS-L: THE HOPOS ELECTRONIC DISCUSSION LIST.

HOPOS maintains an electronic discussion list, HOPOS-L, for the exchange of information and ideas of interest to HOPOS members. If you would like to

subscribe, send a one-line message of the form

SUBSCRIBE HOPOS-L Your Name

to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU. New subscribers automatically receive a welcoming

message listing the basic commands and other information that you need to know

in order participate in a discussion list. Messages posted to HOPOS-L are archived monthly. You can get a list of archive files by sending the command

INDEX HOPOS-L to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU. And you can retrieve a specific archive file by sending the command GET HOPOS-L LOGYYMM to the same address,

where "YY" and "MM" refer, respectively, to the year and month of the archive

file you are requesting (thus, April's archive is HOPOS-L LOG9304).

Questions,

problems, or requests for help with HOPOS-L should be sent off-list directly

to Don Howard, einphil@ukcc.uky.edu.

11. ABOUT HOPOS.

#### a. WHAT IS HOPOS?

HOPOS is an informal, international working group of scholars who share an interest in promoting serious, scholarly research on the history of the philosophy of science and related topics in the history of the natural and social sciences, logic, philosophy, and mathematics. We interpret this statement of shared interest broadly, meaning to include all historical periods and diverse methodologies. We aim to promote historical work in a variety of ways, including the sponsorship of meetings and conference sessions, the publication of special issues of journals, the dissemination of information about libraries, archives, and collections, and, as more ambitious projects perhaps become feasible, the preparation of bibliographies and finding guides.

#### b. ORGANIZATION.

HOPOS being an informal organization, there are no elected or appointed committees or officers. Day-to-day responsibility resides with a self-selecting steering committee, whose members include:

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Don Howard, University of Kentucky

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Anne Mylott, Indiana University

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Alan Richardson, University of Keele

(pia05@seq1.keele.ac.uk).

A program committee for HOPOS-sponsored events currently includes:

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(garb@midway.uchicago.edu).

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