
Venue: Wolfson Building, Oxford University
Date: 22 April 2004
Time: 19:40

Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from:
- Tim Lambertstock
- Simon Marsh

Minutes of Last Year’s AGM
The notes of last years meeting had been published on the Branch web site. No comments had been received, and these were accepted as a true record of the event.

Chairman’s Report
The Chairman highlighted the main achievements of the Branch in 2003/2004. These included:
- Eight excellent lecture meetings, including a special Christmas Lecture. These lectures are accredited under the CPD scheme with certificates provided at each meeting for members.
- An annual visit; this year to Bletchley Park
- Two “Meet the Committee” evenings, which provided an informal opportunity to chat both with the committee and to other members
- Significant improvements to the Branch Web Site. In particular, the Chairman thanked Adrian Walmesley (our Web Master) for developing the site.
- The committee calendar for 2003/2004 looked like:
  - 5 main committee meetings
  - representation at two national congresses
  - 3 regional meetings

In addition, the planning for 2004/2005 had already started, including:
- Outline planning for the 2004/2005 programme
- The formation of sub-committee to organise our bi-annual School’s Web Competition

The changes to the BCS membership structure and membership benefits, which come into force on 1 May, were also described. In particular, eligible non-members were encouraged to join the Society.

Treasurer’s Report
The Treasurer presented the accounts, and these were duly accepted and passed by the members present.
Election of Committee
All the existing Branch Committee were willing to continue to serve for another year.

There had been one additional nomination for the Committee – Tim Lambertstock – who was duly elected.

The election of Officers and allocation of Committee responsibilities will be decided at the first meeting of the new committee on 27 May 2004.

AOB
There being no further business the AGM was closed at ~19:57.

After this, Chris Burton of the Computer Preservation Group gave an extremely interesting talk on Computer Restoration, which described the building of the replica “Baby” machine, originally developed at Manchester University in 1948.

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