

AGM Report 2008/2009

Venue: e-Research Centre, Oxford University, Keble Road
Date: 21 May 2009
Time: 19:45

Apologies for Absence

Robert Ward, Gerry Rohling, Jenny Adcock

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 therefore accepted as a true record of the event.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman (Sheila Lloyd Lyons) welcomed the members to this year's AGM, and thanked Tony Cox for organising the refreshments.

The Chairman highlighted the main achievements of the Branch in 2008/2009, which were covered by her report. These included:

- Eight excellent lecture meetings, plus a trip to the Sophos Virus Lab. The committee was busy working on the programme for next session, and members were asked to offer any suggestions they might have.
- We had held a very successful YPG and Careers event at Oxford Prison (now a Museum).
- Student Prizes had been awarded, funded by the BCS special projects fund. We are into our fifth year of student prizes for Oxford Brookes, Cranfield and Oxford universities.
- The biennial Web Competition was drawing to a close; we had had some very good entries, and we were looking forward to the Prize giving in June.
- We were losing three committee members this year. The Chairman asked if there were any additional nominations they should make themselves known to the current committee as soon as possible. Adrian Walmsley was stepping down to take on chairing the Member Services Board, and Gerry Rohling had volunteered to take on the role as WebMaster for the Branch.
- Sheila Lloyd Lyons was stepping down from chairman after three years, and Tim Lambertstock was taking over.
- No objections were raised to the new committee.
- It was noted that there were significant changes in the pipeline for the BCS, and details would be found in a forthcoming ITNow issue. James Bacon commented that he has attended the recent Congress, and summarised that membership of the society will be more valuable to its members in the future!

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer (Tony Cox) distributed and summarised the Treasurer's Report. At first glance it might appear that we were significantly under spent. However this was because of the changes to the BCS financial year; hence this was an interim report which would eventually cover 16 months this year.

Next year the budget is slightly more than this year, which was a little better than the average.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted without comment.

Election of Committee

The continuing committee is shown below. Anyone else interested was asked to contact us either personally or via the branch web site.

In summary the new committee consists of:

Committee Member	Nominator	Seconder
Sheila Lloyd Lyons	Tim Lambertstock	Brian Day
Brian Read	Geoff Stone	Simon Marsh
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Tim Lambertstock	Sheila Lloyd Lyons	Brian Day
Tony Cox	Simon Marsh	Brian Read
Simon Marsh	Sheila Lloyd Lyons	Brian Day
Geoff Stone	Brian Read	Sheila Lloyd Lyons
Sverker Griph	Sheila Lloyd Lyons	Brian Read
James Bacon	Sheila Lloyd Lyons	Tony Cox
Gerry Rohling	Tim Lambertstock	Sheila Lloyd Lyons

The election of Officers and allocation of Committee responsibilities will be ratified at the first meeting of the new committee.

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There being no further business, the AGM was closed at 19:53.

After this, Michael McClarey, Microsoft UK, gave an extremely interesting session on "Silverlight: The Art of the Possible". This generated considerable discussion, and was very well received.

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