

## THE COMPUTER CONSERVATION SOCIETY

CCS/03/2003

### The Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Computer Conservation Society will take place at 2.30 pm on Thursday 29th May 2003 in the Director's Suite of the Science Museum, Exhibition Road, London SW7 2DD.

#### AGENDA

1. Minutes of the AGM held on 23rd May 2002
2. Chairman's Report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Subscriptions
5. Election of Officers and Committee Members
6. Any Other Business

The Officers and Committee Members are :

Mr Ernest Morris :	Chairman
Mr Tony Sale :	Vice-Chairman
Mr Hamish Carmichael :	Secretary
Mr Dan Hayton :	Treasurer
Dr Xerxes Mazda :	Representing the Science Museum
Mrs Jenny Wetton :	Representing the Museum of Science & Industry in Manchester
Mr Jeffrey Darlington :	Representing the Public Records Office
Mrs Michelle Collier-Moore :	Representing the Bletchley Park Computer Museum
Mr Chris Burton :	Chairman, Elliott 401 WP
Mr Nicholas Enticknap :	Editor, <i>Computer Resurrection</i>
Mr John Harper :	Chairman, Turing Bombe WP
Mr Len Hewitt :	Chairman, Pegasus WP
Mr Tom Hinchliffe :	Chairman, North West Group
Dr David Holdsworth :	Chairman, Software Preservation WP
Prof Simon Lavington :	Chairman, Preservation Policy Working Group
Mr Kevin Murrell :	Chairman, DEC WP
Mr Brian Russell :	Chairman, MILDAP WP
Mr Robin Shirley :	Chairman, S100 bus WP
Mr John Sinclair :	Chairman, Elliott 803 WP

Dr David Anderson, Mr Peter Barnes, Dr Martin Campbell-Kelly, Mr George Davis, Prof Sandy Douglas, Mr Harold Gearing, Dr Roger Johnson, Mr Eric Jukes, Mr Graham Morris, Mr Brian Oakley, Mr Rod Smith, Mr John Southall, Mr Doron Swade

The Chairmen of Working Parties are ex officio members of the Committee.

J.W.S.Carmichael, Secretary to the CCS. 22nd March 2003



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**ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**NOMINATION**

Officer post or Committee : .....

Nominee : .....

Proposed by : .....

Seconded by : .....

The Nominee, Proposer and Seconder must all be members of the CCS

Nominations may be handed to the Secretary before the Meeting or posted to him in advance

at

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### LONDON MEETINGS 2002 – 03

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2003, Science Museum Director's Suite

2.30 pm      **Annual General Meeting**

3.00 pm      **Our Computer Heritage**

The Society's aims have always implicitly emphasised the importance of computer archives, whether of items of surviving hardware, or of all the forms of documentation without which no worthwhile computer system can be complete. Collections can be important at many levels, from the major archival assemblages in the great national institutions, to the bundles of precious personal papers in many an attic. Several members of the Society have been involved in very meritorious – but hitherto perhaps uncoordinated – cataloguing activity over the years.

Now a project has been formulated to attempt to create an overall national picture of all the historic material that survives, through a heroic concerted survey. Negotiations have been going on for several months to establish the support which such a project will require, and so far all the omens are very favourable. The project has the working title : 'Our Computer Heritage'. It has the support of the British Computer Society, the National Archive for the History of Computing, the Public Record Office, The Science Museum, the Museum of Science and Industry in Manchester, and the National Museums of Scotland. We are currently exploring ways of implementing the project, with a view to making a substantial bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund. The project's deliverable would consist of a web-accessible multimedia database.

The Society's principal role will be to provide specialist expertise. In addition there will be a great call for volunteer effort, and this may well involve large numbers of us. Indeed, this may turn out to be the biggest project in the life of the Society so far.

Behind the scenes things are moving so fast that it would not be sensible at this stage to publish a list of probable speakers, but it seems likely that this seminar will be an important, lively and interactive session involving contributions from several partners in the 'Our Computer Heritage' project.

It may not be possible because of cost to distribute a further notice with more precise details closer to the event, so members are asked to keep an eye on the following sources of information :

- The Diary section of the BCS website;
- The extracts from that Diary published in *Computing* and *Computer Weekly*;
- The Society's own website at [www.bcs.org.uk/sq/ccs](http://www.bcs.org.uk/sq/ccs)

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#### London Meetings Secretary

This notice is the first to be distributed since the resignation of George Davis as London Meetings Secretary. George has done a splendid job in that capacity for many years, and the list of the meetings which he has organised is a long and worthy testimonial to all his efforts.

The Committee wishes to place on record their gratitude for his sterling work, and are glad that he will continue to serve as a private member of the Committee.

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### Administrative Notices

#### Subscriptions

The Annual General Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2003 is expected to endorse a continuation of the arrangement whereby members may choose to support the Society by paying a voluntary subscription. The level of this has been set at £10.00 for the past two years, and the resulting revenue has been vital. An encouraging number of members have already subscribed unprompted for 2003. Others are now invited to follow their example.

#### *IEEE Annals of the History of Computing*

The Society has managed to renegotiate the arrangement with the Computer Society of the IEEE under which our members can obtain copies of their *Annals* at a concessionary rate of £29.00 for four issues. A fair number of members are already subscribing under this scheme.

The subject matter is predominantly American, but the most recent issue contains two articles covering activities of this Society and a fascinating review of the history and development of the Sector, an analogue calculating instrument used widely from the 16<sup>th</sup> century until modern times.

For any member who is wondering whether or not to subscribe, there are a few copies from last year still available, which can be examined on a subscribe-or-return basis. Please contact the Secretary at hamishc@globalnet.co.uk

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