



THE COMPUTER CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting 2015

TREASURER'S REPORT

2014-15 has been a year of planned change in the financial affairs of the CCS, the effect of which will be mainly felt in 2015-16.

Our parent body, the BCS, has continued to underwrite CCS affairs partly by an annual budget for regular activities such as meeting expenses, and partly by grants for special projects. A digest is given below.

Meetings and events

Meeting, travel and catering expenses were adequately met from the BCS budget.

Donations

Since there are no subscription fees, the BCS allows the Society to raise funds from its members by annual voluntary donation. This enables the CCS to maintain a Restoration Fund from which small grants to working groups and museums can be made quickly to rescue ventures meeting unexpected costs.

The fund had a positive balance at the start of 2014-15 of £4,765. Income from donations during the year amounted to £7,006, which included £3,000 from profits from the sale of the book to celebrate Turing's centenary, written by four CCS members.

A grant of £3,000 from the Donations Fund was made to the National Museum of Computing to enable the HEC1 computer to be transported from the Birmingham Science Museum to TNMoC where the artefact will go on show.

At the start of 2015-16 there was a positive balance of £8,771 in the Restoration Fund.

Resurrection

Printing and distribution in 2014-15 of *Resurrection*, the CCS quarterly journal, has been funded by BCS from a special quarterly grant, mainly as a holding measure while the BCS reviewed its support for the journal. *Resurrection* has been funded since 1990 shortly after the CCS was founded. BCS had two concerns: (i) that CCS members were not being encouraged to read the on-line version, and (ii) while the BCS was content that CCS members who are also

members of BCS received free printed copies, the fact that non-BCS members also received free copies involved an element of subsidy.

Discussion with the relevant BCS committee resulted in a decision for implementation in 2015-16. In brief, on-line copies will continue to be promoted while the BCS will continue to print and distribute the journal free to BCS members, and also to former BCS members of at least five years standing and aged 60 or over. Otherwise, non-BCS members will be charged £10/year, with the BCS on-line events system being used to purchase annual subscriptions. Dik Leatherdale (*Resurrection* Editor) and Dave Goodwin (Membership Secretary) are arranging the details.

Tony Sale Award

In 2012 the CCS established the Tony Sale Award in memory of the late Tony Sale, originator of the Colossus rebuild and joint founder of the National Museum of Computing. Funds were generously provided by Google, about $\frac{2}{3}$ of which have been spent. The remaining $\frac{1}{3}$ should be adequate to fund a further round in 2016.

Financial Summary

Meeting and events

Meeting costs (London)	1,296
Meeting costs (Manchester)	522

Restoration Fund

Balance at 1 Sep 2014	4,765
Turing Book profit	3,000
Member donations	4,006
Grant to TNMoC (HEC 1)	<u>-3,000</u>
Balance at 1 Sep 2015	8,771

Resurrection

Printing & distribution	4,481
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Tony Sale Award

Grant from Google	15,000
Expenditure in 2012 and 2014	8,127
Funds remaining	6,873

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