

LOOKING TO 2007



The 41st IMS AGM took place on 6 October in Lichfield and the resolution to receive the annual accounts and raise the subscription for life membership to £220 were carried. The number of members that took the trouble to vote was very disappointing and I would urge all corporate members to exercise their right to vote. It does not take long and a pre-paid envelope is provided.

The Council of Management took place immediately after the AGM and I have detailed some of the topics discussed.

The election of Officers was as follows: President – John Thurso MP, Chairman – John Lucey, Deputy Chairman and Treasurer – David Blanchflower, Company Secretary – Harry Downes. The other members of Council are Richard Bridges, Geoff Mansfield, John Heap, Les Rose and Dennis Whitmore.

A new simplified computerised membership database will be introduced in early 2007.

From the New Year the journal will be available to members 'online' and you will be receiving a password with your diary. We hope that the majority of members will take advantage of this as you will receive it faster and it will reduce the cost of

postage and packing.

The new work measurement DVDs/videos are now available and have been received well by our education providers.

Geoff Mansfield has taken responsibility for monitoring and improving our website and I know that he would welcome any comments or ideas that you may have.

We still have not received any applications for a grant from the Russell Currie Memorial fund which would finance research in to a productivity related area.

In early October I attended the AGM and conference of the European Federation of Productivity Science (EFPS) in Germany. It was an interesting experience and it has triggered a series of Journal articles about 'what's going on in Europe' with regard to productivity improvement.

On 14 November I attended the West Midlands Region AGM. It is very pleasing to see such an active Region and a very impressive quarterly newsletter which keeps their members well informed.

I attended the Annual UK Ideas conference in November to present the IMS trophy for the idea that increased productivity the most. The recipient was from the Prison Service and has promised more detail which will appear in this or the next Journal.

In conclusion, I would like to wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

John Lucey
Chairman

North West Region

To keep our members informed, the Regional Board met on 14 October at St James's Avenue, Brightmet, Bolton.

The meeting commenced at 10am with agenda items including reports from the secretary, treasurer, education officer and PRO.

Main topics included NW Region membership, budgets and education issues. Current and future events scheduled for the region were also outlined.

The Council delegates' report and subsequent discussion was deferred until the next board meeting.

BRIGHT future



Paul Moore being presented with his prize and certificate by Ray Postings on behalf of the West Midlands Region of the IMS



Further discussions took place over meeting venues and frequency, together with final arrangements for the NW Region AGM as previously advertised in the Journal.

Our Chairman Len Price closed the meeting, noting the continuing good work for our members in the region, together with the wish that all members enjoy the festive season to the full.

Do keep an eye out for information on 2007 events and keep in contact with with your Board members.

Kevan Kelly
NW Region PRO

*for student
prizewinner*

Aston University: West Midlands Region IMS student prize

Paul Moore, a graduate of Aston University, with the best performance in 2006 on the Technology and Enterprise Management Programme, was presented with the West Midlands Region IMS prize of £100, together with special certificate to commemorate the event.

West Midlands Education Officer, Ray Postings, represented the West Midlands Region at the degree ceremony and graduation reception in July, where the presentation was made.

The West Midlands student prize is part of the continuing programme of cooperation between the West Midlands Region and the Aston University, School of Engineering and Applied Science. Our particular thanks to Dr Trevor Oliver, the Programme Director, Engineering Systems and Design. Aston University in Birmingham is well established as a leading educational centre for technology excellence.

After the formal ceremony Ray had a long chat with Paul Moore who thanked the Region for its support and expressed an interest in joining the Institute. The event was a great success but the day was particularly hot especially for wearing a collar and tie!

North West Region

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 13 January 2007

10am for 10.15

*The Rigbye Arms, 2 Whittle Lane, High Moor,
Wrightington Nr Wigan WN6 9QB.*

Enquiries to Events Organiser

Ian Cooper, 01257 421383 or
PRO Kevan Kelly,
01257 271066.

*The North West Region
Board Chairman Len Price
and Board Members wish
all Members and
their families a
Merry Christmas and a
prosperous New Year.*



North West Region



2007 Events Programme

Your Region's Board would be pleased to receive views on the type and content of this year's programme of events and visits for North West Members.

Please contact with contributions, either Chairman Len Price, 01204 840672 or Lenprice@rawlyn.freemove.co.uk or Secretary Harry Hogg, 01942 863776 or harry.hogg@blueyonder.co.uk

Your views are welcomed, so please make an early reply. All contributions will be acknowledged.

East Midlands Region

This year has seen the introduction of life membership and the Region has contacted lapsed members and as a result several have reinstated their membership. The Region Board continues to be enthusiastic and this year has had three meetings. The latest was a visit to the Bateman private brewery at Wainfleet which was enjoyed by all who attended. The brewery has recently invested heavily in new brewing equipment which has resulted in a significant increase in production capacity and overall productivity.

As the Board contains three members of Council, they are very aware of the ambitious change agenda that the Council have spearheaded. Equally interesting is the refurbishment of the Institute's website which will enable members to access the Journal from the site.

The region is currently finalising the programme for 2007 which will be communicated to members and be on the Institute's website. There will be a visit to Abacus (which is located in Sutton-in-Ashfield) in

March, there will be a social event in July and a visit to the Long Bennington retail Park in late November.

The board continues to keep members informed and looks forward to another successful year in 2007.

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The two photographs are of the visit with our guide Mark and of the lunch in the Bateman Dining Room

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WILLIAMS, Kevin M Oldham, Lancashire

Harry Mitchell College

BEDFORD, Philip Paddock Wood, Kent
DAVIES, Thea Tunbridge Wells, Kent
DAVISON, Malcolm J. Philadelphia, Durham
DeSOUZA, Michael B Dawlish, Devon
GANGAR, Mukhtiar S Leicestershire
JATTA, Sulayman Banjul, Gambia
LEVA, Mihai Arad, Romania
MILLS, Graham R Warminster, Wiltshire
NAGATY, Mohamed Cairo, Egypt
HPLEYDELL, David P West Thurrock, Essex
PUTNAM, David S Weymouth, Dorset
RUSSELL, Paul L. Rainham, Essex
TAILOR, Anisha Milton Keynes, Bucks
TAYLOR, Darren J. Newport, Gwent
VARDY, Phillip A Chesterfield, Derby
WHITHAM, Roger K. Portreath, Cornwall

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ASCROFT, Paul I Preston, Lancashire
SBAINES, Gareth Downend, Bristol
BARNES, Ian Keighley, West Workshire
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BYRNE, James Tayside, Dundee
CASE, Michael G Over Hulton, Bolton
COLEMAN, Jody Spondon, Derby
COX, Ian Milton Keynes, Bucks
DARCY, Paul A Nelson, Lancashire
DAVENPORT, Ian Leeds, West Yorkshire
DEARY, Martin Sunderland, Tyne & Wear
DOUGLAS, James T Inchinnam, Renfrewshire
EDWARDS, Deborah Sheffield, Yorkshire
HEAD, Tony R Cotgrave, Nottingham

JENKINSON, Lesley Torquay, Devon
MEHNGAR, Pardeep, S Chellaston, Derby
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AGUMA, James Hounslow, London
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HUTCHESON, Ian D Catherington, Hants
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