

COUNCIL NEWS

Council met on Saturday 2nd November 2013 in the Abbots Kitchen at Oxford University's Inorganic Chemistry laboratory. There were 11 members in attendance and 2 apologise for absence.

Items discussed included:

- A warm welcome to two new members of Council
- A report on the 2014 Symposium at Capital hotel, Edinburgh; the BSSG web page has been updated with the lecture & events program.
- There is a vacancy on Council for an Advertising Manager – Journal editor Ian Pearson will be happy to provide details of the role to any interested parties.
- Board of Examiners reported revised pricing for Course Syllabi & Examinations. – Full details and appropriate BoE forms now available to download.
- BSSG polo shirts available for purchase – buy now and wear to symposium.

The usual March meeting has been cancelled due to the adverse weather conditions. Officer's reports and any relevant information will be circulated via email.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS

The BoE would like to encourage members to take part in the competitions of the BSSG. Perhaps you make some apparatus for your department which you think is a little unusual or of a particular neatness and are proud of. This would be the type of work that the Board of Examiners would be looking for from entries in some cases along with the set piece.

Just imagine that Cup or Trophy with your name engraved on it, in your workshop or home for you to keep for a year. Something to be proud of! Also, you would receive a framed certificate and a monetary prize. Should you not win the Cup or Trophy you may well qualify for a Certificate of Merit. All entries will receive a letter of acknowledgement.

Past winners and indeed all that have entered these BSSG Competition have found the experience has assisted their career development by adding to their CV in a most positive way. In addition their employers have enjoyed the success through increased publicity and staff skills leading to great business opportunities.

This year's set piece for the **AD Wood Cup** will be a **Float Valve**

This year's set piece for the **Hampshire Trophy** will be a **Double Bubbler**

Conditions of entry, set piece drawings and entry forms are available on line or as printed matter from BSSG Competition Manager **Mr Lee Mulholland**, E-mail **lrm@soton.ac.uk**