

MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

NEWSLETTER

March 2000

CONGRATULATIONS

- to Robert Walsh who has been accepted as a speaker as part of the “Scientists of the New Century” Lecture Series at the Royal Institution. In conjunction with the Times Newspaper, the Royal Institution has organised this series of presentations which aim to bring Britain’s cutting edge science to the attention of the general public. Robert’s talk entitled “Basking in the Sunshine - a New encounter with Our Closest Star” will be given on Wednesday 19th July at 7.30pm.
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WELCOME

- to Dr Marc Kesseboehmer who will join the analysis group for a period of 15 months as an EPSRC-RA. He will be working with B O Stratmann on their joint research project ”Large Deviation and thermodynamical Jarnik-formalism”.
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NEWS

- Allan Gordon organised a session at the 24th Annual Conference of the German Classification Society, held in Passau from 15-17 March.
- Alex Craik returned to St Andrews from Kyoto on 1 April to resume his post. He and his wife Elizabeth were pleased to meet up with Colin Campbell and Nik Ruskuc on their recent visit, and to subject them to some Japanese experiences. Alex is grateful to them for alleviating his baggage problem by bringing back some books and papers.

- Colin Campbell and Nik Ruskuc attended the Third International Colloquium on Words, Languages and Combinatorics and the Workshop on Algebraic Systems, Formal Languages and Computations in Kyoto, Japan, from 14 May to 23 May. Colin gave an invited lecture at the Colloquium, and Nik gave contributed lectures both at the Colloquium and at the Workshop. They also had an opportunity to meet with Alex and Elizabeth Craik.
 - Kenneth Falconer gave an invited lecture on Brownian Fractals at the German Open Conference on Probability and Statistics at the University of Hamburg.
 - Kurt Falk participated in the Euroworkshop on Rigidity in Dynamics and Geometry at the Isaac Newton Institute in Cambridge during the last week in March.
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SEMINARS

- Informal Analysis Seminar (Math. Rm 1A - 3pm)
 - Tuesday 11th April L Olsen “Empirical moment measures”
 - Tuesday 18th April L Olsen “Geometric maximal functions I”
 - Tuesday 25th April L Olsen “Geometric maximal functions II”
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NEXT ISSUE

- Please send any material for the next newsletter to mcsnews@mcs by 12pm Thursday 27th April.