Once again the Royal Geographical Society was the venue for the annual Fellowship Evening of the British Cartographic Society. This, the 9th event, was held on February 10th, during the evening prior to the IMTA (EAME) conference (see page 8).

Over forty BCS Fellows and guests were in attendance for a very enjoyable evening. The lecture, The Stanfords Story: over 150 years of exploration, discovery and inspiration, was given by Frank Watson, Retail Director of Stanfords, who very kindly stepped in at late notice, when Nicholas Crane had to withdraw due to filming commitments. Frank took us on an exploration of Stanfords history: the beginnings of Stanfords, the key people who had created and shaped the business, the important maps published, as well as an informative overview of where Stanfords is today.

Stanfords has a long and colourful history, from its beginnings in 1853 with Trelawney Saunders and the first Edward Stanford, through the development of the business during the 19th century, including the publishing of their own maps. For example, Stanford’s Library Maps, which were intended to be huge, spectacular and definitive works covering the world and the then six, continents, assembled into one large map, over 25 square feet in size. The London Atlas of Universal Geography, which in 1874, when the plates were bought from the estate of the recently deceased John Arrowsmith, was regarded as the only complete international atlas in the English language. By the early 20th century, Stanfords had grown rapidly, moving premises a number of times, as dictated by retail requirements and also compulsory purchases; they had also acquired their very first phone and typewriter.

Unfortunately, the business began to encounter problems. Stanfords managed to stagger through the First World War, taking benefit from the pent up demand that was released by peace. For example, during the interwar years they introduced concertina folded linear maps that could be easily handled in aircraft cockpits. Amy Johnson used a set of these on her famous solo flight to Australia in 1930. Stanfords also undertook much war related mapping during the Second World War, but, for various reasons, by 1946 they were in negotiations with Philip’s to sell the business. At that time Philip’s was a long established map publisher, who had weathered the times much better than Stanfords, and whose board understood the need for innovation. Fortunately, Philip’s invested in both the property and the retail business and Stanfords once again began to develop.

In the 1970s they refocused on the core specialisation of maps and travel books. The 1980s saw the opening of concession shops within a number of related businesses such as Campus Travel in Victoria. In 1997, the first stand-alone shop was opened in Bristol, with the Manchester store opening 6 years later in 2003. This year also saw the closure of the concession shops and the celebration of 150 years of Stanfords. During this time they were appointed booksellers at the RGS and established a series of Travel Lectures at the Society.

Continued on page 4...
Welcome to April Maplines for the first time, much as if what looks like being a very active and exciting year for BCS. Even in these first few months of 2005, BCS members have been heavily participating in or planning for a range of activities aimed at promoting and strengthening cartography in the UK. IMTA, where BCS was strongly represented, was in London and BCS has recently celebrated its Annual Fellows’ Evening. Reports and photos of both events can be found in this issue.

Looking ahead we turn our attention to both the forthcoming Annual Symposium & Map Cartography Workshop in Plymouth. We take a peek at beautiful Plymouth, a run-down of the sessions and activities that are on offer (page 10). Page 12, our new Corporate Members’ page offers a preview of the exhibition space that will be on offer at Plymouth. The Historical Military Mapping Group hopes to meet at Plymouth but they also have an earlier meeting (details below) which they are keen to bring to everyone’s attention.

As usual Maplines is here to support and report on the your cartographic activities so if you have anything you would like to publicise please let us know. You may have noticed one or two design changes in this and our December 2004 issue. Please let us know what your opinion is on this or any other BCS/cartography subject by dropping us a line.

Have a great summer and see you in August

Lynda, Sheena & Martin

Letters to the Editors

I was searching your site to find a contact address for Barbara Penchenui Children’s Map competition when I came across the article in Maplines about Sam the little American boy.

I thought I would write to you about my son Paul, who is just 6.

I have attached one of the drawings, which he did in 5 minutes from memory, while watching TV a few days after his 6th birthday!

I know he has a photographic memory - he recognises about 200 flags (and tells me if I have them upside down!) - he can name the country, the capital city and describe where each is. He can spell each place virtually perfectly. He is very interested in small islands and knows a lot about the UK too, having read all there as acknowledgements of that tradition within UK cartography: it is a tradition that we must preserve and use as the foundation for the future of cartography in the UK.

Each time I put on the President’s chain, I am acutely aware of the long and illustrious line that I follow: a heritage that is also recognised by the recent award of the OBE to Chris Board for all his efforts in respect of the UK’s role in international cartography. Well done indeed! Within the geo spatial industries there have been four honours that I am aware of, (although there are probably more), all awarded to members of the BCS.

This tradition and strong interest in our cartographic legacy is further emphasised by the strength of the Map Curators Group, their active programme and commitment from their members. We also have the military mapping SIG, which is now an integral part of the BCS, stimulating interest from so many. This vitally important tradition must be protected and promoted for the better understanding of the importance of cartography.

We must also be very active looking forward. The BCS is a strong, healthy organisation that represents a thread that can support and promote the continuing interest and use of maps and charts within the UK, not least the GIS packages that populate so many work environments. The BCS has a duty, as part of its charitable aims, to promote cartography and the greater use of maps within the UK. This is a duty we need to take very seriously. A very important part of the looking forward is the role the Cartographic Journal plays in helping to develop the subject at all levels. The Journal has in recent years enhanced its reputation as an academic journal as well as a broader based reference source. For this, the BCS is very indebted to Peter Vujakovic and his team of editors. Peter, as many of you will be aware, is now moving on due to a change in job, although he hopes to stay involved at some level. He leaves behind a publication that is internationally respected as not only the journal of our Society but also one of the official journals of the International Cartographic Association.

The role of the Editor is key. We are very lucky to have Ken Field from Kingston University take over Peter’s mantle. Ken is working with Manely, who does such an excellent job on the publication, to ensure the continued success of the publication. I am sure we will give him all our support.

As part of the Strategic Plan we launched two years ago, the promotion of the Society and of cartography was a key goal. We are beginning to see the first results of that initiative. Giles Dykes has been collecting views and coalescing these ideas into ways for forward. We intend to publish a short series on the basics of cartography in one of the GIS magazines and to have an active press release programme to make announcements to the wider community.

Another plank is the UK GeoForum. BCS is collaborating with associated societies including the RGS, GA, AGI, RICS and RSPSoc to promote the geo spatial community. A number of people are taking a lead role in all this, and much will depend on their efforts. But they need your support, so if you have any ideas or comments pass them on to Mary Spence or Susie Jones. Let’s work to build on and develop our proud tradition, creating a new and exciting future for cartography in the UK.

Lynda, Sheena & Martin
Feature

Fellows’ Evening continued...

In 1998 work began on the Stanfords website, although it was not launched until 2000. This is because the basic aim of the site is to reflect the in-store shopping experience, making Stanfords expertise available to the customers in their own homes. Five full-time staff worked for 18 months to assemble the data. They wrote descriptors, categorising by destination and product type, scanned images and sample cartography and drew map grids.

In 2001, Stanfords de-merged from George Philip Properties, the rump of the old Philip family business. This freed the company to expand and reinvest in the business. The retail world has changed greatly in the last century; Covent Garden is unrecognisable from the area that Stanfords moved into in 1901. Long Acre is now the street with the third highest retail rents in the country after Bond Street and Oxford Street. This increasingly expensive retail environment is also vastly competitive.

The Stanfords flagship London store in Long Acre, Covent Garden, the base of trading since 1901, was, after nearly one hundred years with only one major refit, desperately in need of either complete redevelopment or the business had to consider relocation to more appropriate premises. After much consideration the former approach was deemed the best option and expansion and refitting of the existing premises began.

After 16 months of extremely difficult trading conditions, the resulting new store is a huge credit to Stanfords. It now extends over three floors with an in-stock range of over 50,000 products, and many more available to order. The shop has 144 plan chest drawers, over 400 metres of map rows and more than 700 metres of bookshelves.

Two of the three floors now have record breaking maps as their floor covering: the largest political map of the world on the ground floor, the largest London street map in the British Department and the first floor houses the world’s largest map of Everest in the International Department.

Peter Whitfield, a former Stanfords manager and cartographic historian was commissioned to write a comprehensive account of the history of Stanfords: The Mapmakers - A History of Stanfords published by Compendium. Peter managed to piece together the rich story of the people and the company through scattered remnants of diaries, ledgers and letters, many of which had been given to local libraries when George Philip was broken up in the 1980s. It is something of a masterpiece of detective work as well as history.

Once again, the Fellows’ Evening was a great success. The BCS would like to thank Frank Watson for his informative and entertaining talk. The Supper, held afterwards in the Main Hall of the RGS, was a very enjoyable and social affair where all present had the opportunity to meet up with old friends and acquaintances, once again upholding a long and proud tradition of BCS promoting and celebrating the art and science of cartography.

We look forward with much anticipation to next year’s event.

Sue Jones
Sheena Shanks
Lynda Bailey

Get Geographing

The Geograph British Isles project aims to take representative digital photographs of every square kilometre of the British Isles and make them freely available on the web. The project is based at www.geocachingtoday.com/geograph.htm.

Your ever-curious Editors were of course intrigued by this information, which came from Gary Rogers the Web Master, and set off to find out more. As the project has just started this means there are plenty of local opportunities for anyone to contribute. If you are interested, registering is easy: all you need is an e-mail address and your own password.

Geographing Guide

A good Geograph presents images and information on the main human and physical geographical feature(s) present in any given Ordnance Survey 1km grid square. To claim a square at least one photograph must be taken from within the grid square. Photographs need not be works of art, the important thing is the human and physical geographical information they contain.

You can plan your Geograph using a hardcopy map or by visiting the Ordnance Survey Get-a-Map website or a really high tech geograpging, or you could use a Pocket PC or GPS equipped with mapping software, e.g. Memory Map. The Get-a-Map site also allows searching by grid reference. Using this method you can select a grid reference from the website that hasn’t yet been Geographed and look at its main features.

Images of any size can be uploaded, portrait or landscape, but they will be resized so their longest dimension is 640 pixels. Geograph do not keep your original print quality image, only the resized screen-quality version. They do preserve the EXIF headers from your original image, so it is best to upload your original camera image if you want this information to be kept.

Putting everything together requires many people to donate their time or resources, and the organisers wanted to be sure that they created a resource free from commercial exploitation in future. To that end, the site source code is available for re-use under the terms of the GNU Public Licence (GPL). In addition, they require all submitters to adopt a Creative Commons licence on their photographic submissions.

While the volunteer photographers keep copyright on their photos, they also grant the use of their photographs in return for attribution. We suggest you take a look on the site at a typical submission for more details.

This project aims to build a true community project so the licence terms ensure that the site and content can never be ‘taken away’. So an interesting idea, and you can get fresh air, exercise and indulge in a little photography all at the same time.

Wired for Maps 1st & 2nd JUNE

A basic course, hosted by The Map Curators' Group on electronic cartographic materials for map curators, librarians and archivists, on 1st and 2nd June 2005 at the National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh. The complete course is two consecutive half days on the digitisation, organisation and acquisition of digital data.

First day registration is at 1400-1430. Sessions will include - Seeing the world in pixels; Practical essentials for successful map digitisation projects; Managing the journey from vision to implementation for map digitisation; Digital Curation of spatial data; Ordnance Survey digital options; Where on the Web is that?; A brief guide to internet-based resources. Speakers are from various organisations including the British Library, Kings College London, National Library of Scotland and EDINA. There will also be a hands-on session looking at available mapping on the web and tours of the scanning equipment at the National Library of Scotland have been offered.

Cost for the two half-days will be £55. Spaces may be limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

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A Chartered Geographer?

Chartered Geographer (CGeog) is the professional accreditation offered by the Royal Geographical Society with IBG (RGS-IBG) to those who can demonstrate competence, experience and professionalism in geography. Chartered Geographer, which has Privy Council approval, was established in 2002, operating under Grandfather Rights. Already 130 Fellows from a variety of disciplines, including planning, surveying, academia, teaching and the military as well as cartographers, have been awarded the accreditation. CGeog exists to recognise the work of those using geographical knowledge and skills in the workplace and therefore is particularly suited to those working in the cartographic industry.

It was established CGeog, is the only internationally-recognised qualification for professional geographers. Established to encourage geographers to participate in an annual ongoing programme of Continuing Professional Development (CPD), in order to prove that Chartered Geographers are maintaining a high standard of professionalism. Participants in the scheme are asked to undertake 35 hours per year of CPD related activities, of which 20 hours should be external and 15 should be internal. CPD can include attendance or presentation at a conference, training courses, the production of published material, or website development. Chartered Geographers are asked to devise their own programme of CPD to suit the needs of their own professional development. The RGS-IBG can assist in developing the programme and will monitor it annually. However, while the scheme remains voluntary, the RGS-IBG will not impose sanctions against those who do not undertake the programme.

Becoming a Chartered Geographer not only recognises commitment to the subject through your work, but demonstrates that the work you have undertaken has been accepted by the vetting committee appointed by the RGS-IBG. Receipt of the accreditation and completion of the annual CPD programme can enhance your career portfolio, by demonstrating that you are a practising geographer. The self-directed learning, shows you are committed to maintaining high standards in your work.

A mentoring scheme allows Chartered Geographers to develop and encourage geographers in the early stage of their career to become Chartered Geographers. Mentoring is of particular benefit to those who have been working in a geographically-related job, but without any formal qualification in geography.

Applicants are required to be Fellows of the RGS-IBG and must have a Geography degree plus 6 years relevant work experience, or, if no degree is held, a minimum of 15 years work experience is required. Applicants need to submit an application form which cites two referees, one of which should be a geographer or FRGS, a detailed CV and a 1000-word professional report. The professional report provides the applicant with the opportunity to demonstrate the work that they have done, clearly summarising how they meet the criteria. Applications take 10-12 weeks to process, with the accreditation being awarded quarterly at the Society’s Council meeting. Further details are online at www.rgs.org/charteredstatus.

The Editors would like to congratulate BCS’ Vice-President Dave Watt, BCS’ first CGeog.

Very well done, Mary!
IMTA London

The IMTA (International Map Trade Association) EAME (Europe, Africa and the Middle East) Annual Conference and Trade Show took place this year in London. The Business Design Centre, Islington, offered an beautiful, architecturally-acknowledged venue for the exhibition, with impressive facilities and trade show organisation.

As usual, a large number of BCS Corporate Members exhibited and many more were in attendance. The Trade Show offered a large variety of stands; it was a delight to see the range of international map-related organisations who had travelled to London to participate in the conference.

The exhibition set-up began on Thursday with loose ends being tidied up on the Friday morning, prior to the conference opening. A packed BCS stand, designed by Mary and Susie, displayed a wide range of maps designed and/or produced by many of our Corporate Members. Those not attending the Fellows Evening at the RGS, spent the evening catching up with old friends and business contacts at the conference hotel.

Friday morning saw the official programme begin with the trade show officially opened by Colin Marshall, President of the Booksellers Association of the United Kingdom and Ireland Limited. Karen McGrath, President of the IMTA (EAME) then extended a warm welcome to the conference. Over the two days of the conference programme we saw a number of presentations and seminars given involving a wide range of speakers, from presentations on using spatial information in the emergency services to new developments at the Institut Géographique National, France. We were also introduced to How your business can benefit from the financial support from the hospitality of Stanford’s, the world-famous travel bookshop, we spent a delightful evening browsing through the wonderful array of maps and books, admiring the bronze model of Everest exhibited on the first floor, meeting new friends and catching up with old at the Delegates Reception.

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Susie Jones, BCS Publicity Officer and Lynda Bailey

IMTA/EAME) has secured £22 000 from UKTI to assist small and moderate sized members to attend the Frankfurt Bookfair and IMTA regional trade shows in 2005-2006.

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IMTA (EAME) BEST MAP COMPETITION

1. Institute of Advance Technologies

Ukraine Educational Atlas:

Continents and Oceans

FOLDED MAPS

1. AGT GeoCenter (Russia)

Moscow Region Map

2. Goldeneye (UK)

Exmoor Mountain Bike Routes

FLAT MAPS

1. AGT GeoCenter Brazil

Brazilian Atlas

2. AGT GeoCenter Russia

Auto Atlas of St Petersburg

ATLAS

1. GeoCenter International (UK)

Insight World Travel Atlas

2. AGT GeoCenter Russia

Auto Atlas of St Petersburg

DIGITAL CARTOGRAPHIC PRODUCT

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Geoinformation Data Set of Moscow

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BCS Symposium 2005

1st to 4th September
The purported sighting of the Armada, the sailing of the Pilgrim Fathers, and now the 42nd Annual Symposium and Map Curator’s Workshop of the British Cartographic Society.

Appropriately, as the country celebrates SeaBritain 2005, our annual long weekend of lecture room and social activities will be hosted by the University of Plymouth. The University offers excellent conference facilities and has the added advantage of being situated in the city centre with just a short walk to the famous Hoe, offering plenty to see and do.

The Map Curators’ Group Workshop will take place on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September, to enjoy an intriguing range of papers touching on mapping above and below the ground as well as, befitting the location, something watery.

The watery theme will continue into the Symposium, starting on Friday 2nd and ending on Sunday 4th September, with sessions on Historical Naval Mapping and Contemporary Marine Charting. Other sessions will include a review of the recently formed UK Geo Forum and the work of some of its members, Tourist and Travel Mapping, and Design and Data Visualisation. To add to a wide array of fascinating presentations will be the usual excellent Exhibition, Quiz, Annual Dinner and Ceilidh which should all sum up to a terrific weekend so, if you haven’t already done it, confirm the dates in your diary. BCS members will receive a brochure and booking form by early May. Non-members are also welcome to attend; the latest information can be found on the Society’s web pages.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the beautiful South West coast of England for our 42nd Annual Symposium, University of Plymouth, 1st to 4th September 2005.

BCS Annual Awards

It’s that time again! Search out your best map products from the past year and submit them for consideration in one of the annual awards made by the British Cartographic Society. This year there are six categories to choose from:

**BCS Design Award** – for the most outstanding map produced by a member of the Society.

**John Bartholomew Award** – for originality and excellence in the field of thematic (non-topographic, 1:100,000 and smaller) cartography. Open to non-members of the Society.

**Ordnance Survey Award** – for innovation in the design and presentation of spatial information with an emphasis on creativity, originality and impact of the design. Open to all mapmakers.

**National Geographic Society Award** – for a student who has demonstrated an outstanding achievement in cartography and its applications.

**Reader’s Digest Award** – for excellent work by students of cartography.

**Henry Johns Award** – awarded to the author of the most outstanding article published in The Cartographic Journal during the calendar year.

This year we have a new Awards Team for the commercial awards – Tim Rideout of The XYZ Digital Map Company will be our Awards Officer.

He will be assisted by Kate Christensen and Clare Neil, both of Reader’s Digest, and Pindar; Rose Birley of UKHO will continue to organize the Student Awards.

For further information about all the awards, to review past winners and to download an entry form visit the BCS website on www.cartography.org.uk.

Deadline for receipt of entries is 11th May for the commercial awards and 23rd July for the Student Awards.

Mary Spence
Corporate Liaison

**MAPS FOR CHAPS**

During the Second World War MI9 – the intelligence organisation set up to help British servicemen evade capture and escape from Prisoner of War camps – developed many ingenious methods of smuggling maps into the camps. The Royal Air Force Museum holds a small collection of papers relating to maps concealed within records and made up into packages of five per box.

Wooler’s papers (copied by the RAF Museum) include details of the parcels despatched. A typed list of addressees states that one disc in each box ‘contains Frontier map in two parts – Black and Red. Black – map only; Red – route only’. These are probably the much simpler maps for which Bartholomew’s waived their copyright when approached by Hutton in 1940. To the uninitiated the discs were virtually indistinguishable from standard records, but apparently insignificant changes to the record labels identified those containing hidden goods.

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Welcome to the second appearance of Page 12. Corporate members are invited to contribute to this page with snippets of information about what is happening in the corporate world and any general map-related newsworthy items. Please can I ask that you send in anything you have to share with the BCS membership by way of news — if not we may have to broaden the scope to include gossip, scandal or controversy. We aren't looking for lengthy articles, just a paragraph or two. So get thinking please... Mary Spence Corporate Liaison

NEWS FROM STIRLING SURVEYS, PUBLISHERS OF FOOTPRINT MAPS

In between polishing the silverware and enduring the rigours of the 'festive' season we've been dividing our time between producing new maps for our customers and reviewing our own publishing programme for 2005. We have a number of new titles close to publication, including a new strip map of The Speyside Way, in the same format as our best-selling West Highland Way title. This was a particularly arduous project, involving a multi-day survey trip to Speyside by all members of Team Stirling Surveys. This involved walking briskly about in the winter sunshine from sunrise to sunset. It sounds impressive, but by mid-December the days are pretty short and we didn't do too badly overall. Nevertheless, we were consoled, nay fortified, by the wonderful local produce both solid and liquid. So much so, that we could have been there for a week...

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Also recently completed has been a travel map for a Scottish local authority. The tender specified that the map should be printed on 100% recycled paper with soy-based vegetable oil ink; a bit more precise and challenging than the usual public sector brief in, our experience at least. However, the result was two-fold; a very happy customer (the important bit) and (therefore) a small warm glow for all of us. Ah, the joys of promptly paying customers.

As usual, there are several ironies in the fire, warming up at varying rates. Hopefully we've got our sums right and we'll all be busy for the next year!

Stirling Surveys

UK GEO FORUM

The UK Geo Forum was established in July 2004 to raise the profile of the member organizations through mutual co-operation and support. To date, this involves website links, a common calendar of events and shared stands at conferences, seminars and trade shows. The 3rd meeting of the UK Geo Forum took place at the IMTA Conference and Trade Show in London in February this year.

A number of the website links are now in place and that same information will be used to produce a flyer for inclusion in future conference packs for members of the UK Geo Forum to use. The events calendar is also developing well and includes lectures and seminars which are of mutual interest and benefit to members of the Forum. In particular, a one-day seminar on copyright which will be of interest to many is being planned in the autumn.

The next meeting of the UK Geo Forum, to be hosted by the Royal Institute of Navigation will take place at the Royal Geographical Society on 6th June.

The membership of the UK Geo Forum consists of representatives from:

- Association for Geographic Information
- British Association of Remote Sensing Companies
- British Cartographic Society
- British Geological Survey
- British Geographical Association
- Cartographic Association of the UK
- Geographical Information Society
- International Cartographic Association
- International Map Trade Association
- Royal Geological Society
- Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors
- Royal Institute of Navigation
- UK Cartographic Committee/Charles Close Society

Mary Spence with help from Peter Jolly

CORPORATE MEMBERS PLAQUE

We have decided to provide, free of charge, all Corporate Members and BCS Exhibitors with a stylish wall plaque for exhibition and display purposes.

Created by top graphic design studio Phil Barfoot, it will be typeset with company logo (as samples shown), laminated and mounted on 24 cm diameter plywood.

If you would like a plaque prepared for you please send a digital copy of your Company logo to either myself at david.invine@theAA.com or to Ken Atherton at admin@cartography.org.uk

New Corporate members and exhibitors are always welcome.

David Irvine Symposium Exhibition Officer

EXHIBITION SPACE IN PLYMOUTH

For those of you who have made the decision about taking exhibition space at the BCS Symposium in September, help is at hand. Here are the first photos of the exhibition space that will be on offer to Corporate members exhibiting at Plymouth.

Book your stand, conference registration, hotel and trade show advertising by contacting John Whitty on 01548 857310 or john@johnwhitty.co.uk
Admin report

BCS Administration Report

Subscriptions for 2005, which became due on 1 January 2005, remain unchanged from last year. Corporate Member £165.00, Fellow £135.00, Ordinary Member £25.00, Associate Member £10.00. Optional annual supplement for Overseas members £10.00. Members have a choice of three methods of payment: Personal cheque payable to The British Cartographic Society, (or for overseas members a Sterling Draft payable in London); Visa/Access credit card; Standing Order.

I am pleased to report that almost two-thirds of the membership have paid their subscriptions but if you are one of the 228 members who have not yet renewed please do so THIS MONTH.

Renewal forms were enclosed with the December 2004 edition of Maplines and are available from the Administration Office. Credit card and Standing Order payment forms are also available, just ask. In May reminder letters will be sent to all those members whose subscription is still outstanding.

Receipts and Gift Aid: Receipts will be sent out as usual but please note that your membership card will only be replaced if it has been lost or damaged. Your receipt has a Gift Aid Declaration attached. Gift Aid brings added income to the Society at no cost to the individual member. For every £1.00 of your subscription the Society can claim 28p in Gift Aid tax relief. To date 265 members have signed up for Gift Aid, this represents 65% of our UK membership. You must be a UK taxpayer to qualify but if you have any questions call the BCS Administration Office. Can’t remember who you have signed if you have signed? If in doubt sign again and I will sort it out here in the Administration Office. Can’t remember who you have signed if you have signed? If in doubt sign again and I will sort it out here in the Administration Office.

Membership: Members will be interested to know that at the end of 2004 our paid-up membership figures stood at:

Corporate Members 40
Honorary Fellows 10
Fellows (incl Overseas) 115
UK Members 408
Overseas Members 62
Associate Members 33
Making a total of 668 678 (31 December 2003 figures in italic).

During 2004 60 new members joined the Society and we had 15 resignations and 2 deaths. At the end of the year 50 names were removed from our mailing list for non-payment of subscriptions and we lost contact with some members who changed addresses.

New members: The Society has pleasure in welcoming the following new members who have joined since publication of the December 2004 edition of Maplines.

UK Members: Mr F A Achana, Mr M Cashin, Mr S W Hales, Ms B S Hodgson, Mr F A Achana, Mr M Cashin, Mr S W Hales, Ms B S Hodgson, Mr F A Achana, Mr M Cashin, Mr S W Hales, Ms B S Hodgson.

Overseas Members: Mr K O Die (Nigeria), Ms M Toher (Estonia).

UK Associate Members: Mr F J Prest, Miss E A U Sahlin.

Fellows: As reported elsewhere, a very successful Fellows’ Evening was held at the Royal Geographical Society on Thursday 10 February. Forty-six Fellows and guests enjoyed convivial company and a superb supper. We are grateful to Frank Watson, Retail Director of Stanfords for stepping in as our speaker when Nicholas Crane was forced to cancel at the eleventh hour. Have you considered applying to become a Fellow of the British Cartographic Society? Contact the BCS Administrative Office for further information; the address is given at the end of this report. You will find enclosed in this issue of Maplines a form for nominating members to the BCS Council. Council is the Society’s governing body and it is vital for the Society that it consists of a fair representation of the membership so that it can clearly reflect the diversity of the Society. The Society’s Executive Committee are keen to get new Council members on board to help achieve the strategic objectives and to strengthen the Society. There are specific tasks which need to be done, for example, the Publications Committee is currently without a chairman, but perhaps more importantly Council must be a dynamic body where lively debate on how to take the Society forward can take place.

Please consider carefully what role you could play within the Society, and whether you would wish to stand for election to Council this year. Meetings are held three times a year in London with an additional meeting at each Symposium. Expenses are paid for all attendance at meetings and to cover other costs resulting directly from Society business. The next election will take place at the AGM in September during our Symposium in Plymouth.

If you do wish to stand, please find two members who are willing to propose and second you, and ensure the enclosed form is completed and returned to the address on the form by 1 July 2005. Forms can be mailed or faxed.

If you want more information about what it might involve, or if you wish to stand but need help in contacting other members to nominate you, please contact me at the BCS Administrative Office address below.

E-mail addresses: In the last two issues of Maplines I appealed to overseas members to send me their e-mail addresses. The response was not encouraging! A database of e-mail addresses would enable the Society to communicate more effectively with overseas members and reduce the cost of posting flyers, notices etc.

TO ALL OVERSEAS MEMBERS - PLEASE SEND ME YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESSES, IT WILL ONLY TAKE A MOMENT!

And finally... Are you on the move? Please inform the Administration Office. Last year we lost contact with nine members.

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Calendar

9th May 2005
Paper making and the topographical tradition, Professor Stephen Daniels The Warburg Institute, University London, UK
For more info contact:
E: t.campbell@lockendon.clara.co.uk

9th May 2005
Mapping in mosaic: geographical imagery in the medieval ecclesiastical floor mosaics of northern Italy, Lucy Donkin
For more info contact:
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STOCK CLEARANCE SUMMER SALE GIVE-AWAY PRICES!

Society Ties: Polyester £2.00 each
Silk £4.00 each

Lapel Badges: 50p each

T-Shirts: With BCS logo, size Large £14.50 each

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23rd May 2005
Maps and bodies, Marcia Kuper Cambridge History of Cartography Seminars, 2004-5, Department of History of Art, Cambridge University, UK
For more info contact:
E: t.campbell@lockendon.clara.co.uk

26th May 2005
A portion of our country comparatively unknown, Lindsay Braun, The Zoutpansberg, and the Cartography of the Transvaal, 1867-1899, Fred Jepe, The Warburg Institute, University of London, UK
For more info contact:
E: t.campbell@lockendon.clara.co.uk

30th May – 2 Jun 2005
GIS Planet 2005 International conference & exhibition geographic information, Estoril, Portugal
For further info contact:
W: www.gisplanet.org/itw03.htm

18th - 22nd June 2005
Wired for maps: A basic course on electronic cartographic materials for map curators, National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh, Edinburgh
For more info contact:
W: www.cartography.org.uk or Carlusculiblii.tuc tel:020 7412 7062
For more details see page 5

19th – 22nd June 2005
Sixth International Conference on MilitaryGeography and Geology School of Geography, University of Nottingham, UK
For further info contact:
W: www.geog.nottingham.ac.uk/ milgeo2005
E: milgeo2005@nottingham.ac.uk

9th – 16th July 2005
XXII ICC 2005 Mapping Approaches into a Changing World, A Coruna, Spain
For more info contact:
E: secretary@icc2005.org

17th – 22nd July 2005
21st International Conference on the History of Cartography (ICHC 2005) Estovos Lorand Cambridge University, Budapest, Hungary
For further info contact:
W: lazaruselise.hu/icnh2005.htm
E: icnh2005@illazarus.hu

1st – 4th September 2005
BCS 42nd Annual Symposium and Map Curators Workshop University of Plymouth, UK
For more info contact:
E: Bob.Lolley@londancesurveys.co.uk
For more details see pages 10 and 13

5th – 8th September 2005
41st Society of Cartographers Summer School University of Cambridge, UK
For more info contact:
E: steve@llimd.ac.uk
W: www.mdx.ac.uk/www/igem/icso/2005/

6th – 9th September 2005
Measuring, Mapping and Managing a hazardous world, RSPSoc annual conference, Portsmouth University, UK
For more info contact:
E: richard.teewillp@port.ac.uk

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For more info contact:
W: www.rspsoc.org

7th– 9th September 2006
Mapping the World: Medieval and Early Modern Cartography International and interdisciplinary Conference Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
For further info contact:
http://web.uni-frankfurt.de/ ZFN/aaaCfP_englisch.doc

1st – 3rd November 2005
AGI2005, Chelsea Village, London, UK
For more info contact:
Angela McMahon
E: angela@agi.org.uk

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Quiz

Island life...

Send your entries to: Lynda Bailey
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King Charles St,
London
SW1A 2AH
or by email to
lynda.bailey@fco.gov.uk

Closing date for entries is
7th June 2005

Congratulations to our December winner,
Katie Lloyd-Jones
who correctly answered that the borders were:

1 a) Scotland
b) England

2 a) Kaliningrad
   (Russia)
   b) Lithuania
c) Belarus
d) Poland

3 a) Sweden
b) Norway
c) Russia
d) Finland

4 a) Venezuela
b) Guyana
c) Brazil

5 a) Bolivia
b) Brazil
c) Paraguay
d) Argentina

6 a) Burma
   (Myanmar)
b) China
c) Vietnam
d) Laos
e) Thailand

Our quiz this time around is to identify the islands above. The prize for this quiz is a £25 book voucher, kindly donated by Imray, Laurie, Norie and Wilson.

So come on, have a go at our quiz and look forward to treating yourself to that book you have had your eye on for ages!

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