# LMS NEWSLETTER

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#### December 1976

# DATES OF SOCIETY MEETINGS

Friday, 14 January and Saturday, 15 January, Birmingham, Experimental twoday meeting.

Friday, 11 March, Burlington House.

Friday, 20 May, University College, Bangor.

Friday, 17 June, Burlington House. Hardy Lecturer (Professor J. K. Moser).

London meetings will be held in the Geological Society Rooms, Burlington House, Piccadilly. Council meetings will be held in conjunction with all the above meetings except those on 14–15 January and (possibly) 20 May. There will be a Council meeting on 21 January in Burlington House.

D. A. BRANNAN

# **TWO-DAY MEETING AT BIRMINGHAM**

# 14-15 January 1977

# PROVISIONAL TIME-TABLE

2.00 p.m.	Opening Session
2.15 p.m.	Special sessions (in parallel)
	(a) Fuchsian and Kleinian groups
	(b) <i>Graph theory</i>
	(c) Mathematical Education
3.30 p.m.	Tea
4.00 p.m.	Professor R. Osserman: The strange disappearance of existence uniqueness and regularity for the minimal surface equation.
5.30 p.m.	Professor A. Douady: New approaches to Teichmüller space.
7.00 p.m.	Buffet.
SATURDAY	

9.30 a.m.	One-hour lecture to be arranged.
11.30 a.m.	Professor I. G. Macdonald: title to be announced.
2.00-5.00 p.m.	Special sessions and informal discussion groups

Lectures will take place in the Watson Building, which will be signposted within the University grounds, Further details will appear in the January *Newsletter*. Anyone who wishes to organise a

discussion group or special session, please contact Dr. Philp (address below). Lecture room space will be kept in reserve for discussion groups to be arranged on the spot.

The Buffet will cost £3, tickets for this must be paid for at least one week in advance. There will also be bar facilities available to all participants, in the lounge of Staff House on Friday evening. Cheaper meals can be obtained from restaurants within walking distance of the University.

# EDITOR OF THE BULLETIN

Professor D. E. Edmunds (University of Sussex) will succeed Professor W. Ledermann as Editor of the Bulletin of the L.M.S. on

1 January 1977. Professor Ledermann has been Editor for three years.

# TRAVEL INFORMATION

FOR MOTORWAY USERS Approaching from the S on M1/M6 and from the NW on M6, leave M6 at Junction 6 'Spaghetti Junction', signposted Birmingham Central A38(M). Follow A38(M) 'Bristol and the SW' signs, continuing on A38 Bristol Road. The University is on your right,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the City Centre.

Approaching from the SW, leave M5 at the A38 Junction 4. The University is on the left (N) of the A38 Bristol Road on the Selly Oak/Edgbaston border, approx. 8 miles from the motorway.



#### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### Train

Birmingham is at the heart of the Inter City network.

#### Coach

National coach services—including motorway services to London—operate to and from Birmingham.

Enquiries: Midland Red Coach and Bus Services 021-429 3030 and 021-643 4481.

#### Bus

Enquiries: West Midlands Transport 021-235 3517.

Buses Nos. 61, 62 and 63 travel from the terminus in Navigation Street (west of BR New Street Station) to the South gate of the University in Bristol Road and Griffin Close and the Manor House.

#### Taxi

There is a taxi rank at New Street Station: 021-634 2950, and others in the city centre Birmingham Taxi Cab Association: 021-440 2201.

#### HOTELS

The following hotels are conveniently situated and are expecting bookings from participants. For a more complete list or in the case of difficulty contact Dr. Philp. It is advisable to book early.

The Charlton, Wentsbury and Bristol

BRISTOL COURT HOTEL, 248–250, Bristol Road, Edgbaston, BIRMINGHAM B5 7SL Tel.: 021–472 0078 Court are within walking distance. The Cobden is on a convenient bus route (No. 21) to the University. The Albany is a 4\* hotel in the City Centre. Prices as at time of going to press.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{singles} \quad \text{\pounds}5 \cdot 00 \\ \text{29 rooms} \quad + \text{V.A.T.} \\ \text{twins} \\ \text{doubles} \end{array} \} \text{\pounds}10 \cdot 00 \end{array}$ 

THE CHARLTON, 412 Bristol Road, Edgbaston, BIRMINGHAM 15	7 singles 7 twins	£3.80 per person V.A.T. included
COBDEN HOTEL, 166/172, Hagley Road, Edgbaston, BIRMINGHAM B16 9NZ Tel.: 021-454 6621	50 singles 10 twins, doubles	circa £5·00 circa £10·40
*WENTSBURY HOTEL, 21 Serpentine Road, Selly Park, BIRMINGHAM B29 7HU Tel.: 021-472 1258	6 twin rooms only. £6·75	
ALBANY HOTEL, Smallbrook Ringway, BIRMINGHAM B5 4EW Tel.: 021-455 8171	Many rooms	£13·50

\*The Wentsbury has twin rooms only so preferably people should book in pairs however it is the closest to the University (2 mins. walk). Please address all enquiries to: B. J. PHILP, Pure Mathematics Dept., University of Birmingham, P.O. Box 363, Birmingham B15 2TT.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE VACANCY**

The Society's Administrator, Mrs. Shalit, will be retiring at Easter 1977, and enquiries would be welcomed from anyone who might be interested in succeeding her. The work involves general correspondence, looking after the Society's accounts and generally assisting the Officers of the Society in the Society's office in Burlington House, London. The hours are somewhat flexible and salary to be negotiated. Further particulars may be obtained from Dr. D. A. Brannan, Mathematics Department, Queen Elizabeth College, Campden Hill Road, London W8 7AH.

# SYMPOSIUM ON TOPOLOGY AND ITS APPLICATONS

The Union of Mathematicians of Yugoslavia is organising the Third International Symposium on Topology and its Applications. This symposium will be held in Belgrade, Yugoslavia on 29 August–2 September 1977. Further details can be obtained from Topoloski Simpozij Beograd, Yugoslavia, P.O. Box 791.

## N.A.T.O. ADVANCED STUDY INSTITUTE ON REPRESENTATIONS OF LIE GROUPS

This Institute will be held on 5–17 Sept. 1977, and will provide lectures at an advanced level on recent developments in Lie groups and their representations. It is intended for young scientists who want to specialise in this field and for others who want to improve their knowledge. The programme of the Institute will consist of five 6 hour and five 2 hour courses by eminent specialists. In addition to these, some seminars will be devoted to discussions and research problems. The main language of the Institute will be English. It is hoped that lecturers will include R. BLATTNER (U.C.L.A.), M. FLATO (Dijon), H. FURSTENBERT (Jerusalem), W. SCHMID (Columbia), J. SIMON (Dijon), P. TROMBI (U.C.L.A.), V. VARA-DARAJAN (U.C.L.A.), J. WOLF (Berkeley).

All lectures will be held at the Sart-Tilman campus of the University of Liège, Belgium. A limited number of fellowships will be available to cover travel and living expenses. Attendance is limited to about 70 people. Further details can be obtained from: M. DE WILDE, Institut de Mathématique, Avenue des Tilleuls 15, B 4000 LIEGE (BELGIUM).

### VISITING MATHEMATICIANS

The following mathematicians are expected to visit Britain. The list does not include names on the list in the September *Newsletter*. The next list will appear in June.

#### Name and Home University

M. Adachi (Kyoto) A. Adjlani (Paris) R. S. Agarwal (Roorkee) C. Allday (Hawaii) A. Amidi (Ahwaz) A.-A. Anis (Cairo) S. Anthan (Maryland) R. Baer (Zurich) A. Baernstein (Washington) J. Beidleman (Kentucky) M. Berger (Paris) T. Berger (Minnesota) J. W. Berry (Manitoba) C. Bessaga (Warsaw) P. E. Blanksby (Adelaide) H. Blau (N. Illinois) D. Blessenohl (Kiel) R. Bott (Harvard) B. Brogan (Kase Western Reserve) B. F. Bryant (Vanderbilt) H. Buhlmann (Zurich) K. Capell (Queensland) G. Chambers (Alberta) J. Cheeger (S.U.N.Y.) A. Christofides (Galway) H. Cohn (U.S.A.) J. Cossey (Australian National) E. V. Costa (Santiago) F. R. Crownfield (William and Mary) M. Csorgo (Carlton) K. Doerk (Mainz) J. Donig (Darmstadt) P. W. Donovan (New South Wales) J. Douglas (Chicago) J. I. Dowling (Prince Edward Island) J. Duskin (S.U.N.Y.) C. C. Elgor (Yorktown Hts.) T. Elmendorff (Chicago) K. Erdmann (Giessen) J. Ericksen (Johns Hopkins) L. Fearnley (Utah) M. E. Fisher (Western Australia) L. Fook (Malaysia) W. B. Fraser (Sydney) B. Fuchssteiner (Paderborn) J. C. Furtado-Coelho (Lisbon) W. Gaschütz (Kiel) N. Giannico (Pisa) P. Gilkey (Princeton) A. Gleit (Massachusetts) K. R. Goodearl (Utah) P. Greenwood (British Colombia) P. Griffiths (Harvard) F. Gross (Utah) M. E. Gurtin (Carnegie-Mellon)

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H. Lamilton (Cornell)
H. L. Hayward (Oregon)
Y. C. Ho (Harvard)
A. M. Hobbs (Texas)
F. Hofbauer (Vienna)
K. Huseber (Cornell) K. Househam (Cape Town) B. Huppert (Mainz) M. Isaacs (Wisconsin) J. Isbell (S.U.N.Y.) H. G. Jacob (Massachusetts) B. Johnson (Manitoba) W. Jones L. Jonker (Ontario) D. C. Joyce (Massey) T. Kailath (Stanford) T. Karacay (Ankara) H. B. Keynes (Minnesota) S. Kobayashi (California) J. Komorowski (Warsaw) R. Kress (Göttingen) H. Kurzweil (Erlangen) H. Kushner (Brown) M. Kwapsiz (Gdansk) J. Lehner (Pittsburg) J. Loxton (New South Wales) A. K. Mal (California) B. M. Manvel (Colorado) J. E. Marsden (Berkeley) A. Mether (Delhi) P. May (Chicago) B. Mazlunoglu (Istanbul) J. Mazur (Marlboro College) W. Meier (Zurich) E. Mielke (Kiel) A. H. Money (Cape Town) E. Moore (Newfoundland) B. Morin (Strasbourg) J. Neukirch (Regensburg) I. Olkin (Stanford) T. F. O'Malley (Berkeley) R. Osserman (Stanford) D. Passman (Wisconsin) S. Patnaik (Indian Institute Tech.) V. Patodi (Tata Institute) V. Pereyra (Caracus) P. R. Rayment (Gippsland) R. Reilly (California) I. Reiner (Urbana) K. J. Revfeim (New Zealand) J. Sampson (Johns Hopkins) D. M. Schrader (Marquette) G. Seitz (Oregon) K. Sharpe (Melbourne) A. Sharples (New Mexico Inst. of Mining and Technology)

A. L. Sinfailam (Paris)

I. Singer (M.I.T.)

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Aug. 76–Aug. 77 Sept. 76–Sept. 77 Jan.–March 77 Name and Home University R. A. Smith (Toronto) J. A. Snyman (Pretoria) M. K. Srivastava (Roorkee) H. Stetter (Institute für Numerische) P. J. Sullivan (Western Ontario) J. H. Swart (Natal) A. Tamaras (Athens) W. F. C. Taylor (Canterbury)

J. L. Teugels (Katholieke University) W. Tutte (Waterloo) S. Ullam (Urbana)

Y. C. Verdiere (Paris) F. Verhulst (Utrecht)

C. Wake (Wellington) G. C. Wake (Victoria) R. B. Warfield (Washington) G. S. Watson (Princeton) E. J. Wegman (N. Carolina) C. R. B. Wright (Oregon) M. Zisman (Paris)

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# **OXFORD: JUNIOR LECTURESHIP IN MATHEMATICS**

Applications are invited for a Junior Lecturership in any branch of Pure or Applied Mathematics: some preference will be given to applicants with interests in Statistics. The appointment is for a period of three years from 1 October 1977 (or as soon as possible thereafter) and is not renewable. Salary will be on the scale, as at September 1976,  $\pounds 3,115 + \pounds 96$  to  $\pounds 3,211 + \pounds 211$  to  $\pounds 3,422 + \pounds 228$  to  $\pounds 3,650$ .

Further details may be obtained from the Secretary of Faculties, University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD, to whom applications should be sent not later than 15 December 1976.