The Society of Light and Lighting

Report to members for the year 2004

This report to members of the Society covers the period 1 January to 31 December 2004. A section at the end brings the situation up to date but is not part of the formal report.

Financial report

The Society had a generally good year. However, the accounts below include sum income accrued in 2004 which covers the cost of expenditure during 2005, especially for the Masterclasses. Even so, the Society has a comfortable surplus of income over expenditure which will put it in good stead for 2005, which promises to be an expensive year. It will also make it possible for the Society to support a number of new ventures.

Significant sources of income are supplementary subscriptions paid by Associate Members, Members and Fellows, as well as income from Sustaining Members. Indeed, without the latter the Society’s activities would be severely curtailed. It can also be seen that the Society is heavily dependent on the support of a number of sponsors, notably the three companies which are supporting the Masterclasses with both financial support and speakers.

Income and expenditure from the Dublin Symposium is not included in these figures because they are complicated by costs incurred through cancellation of an initial booking at the University of Warwick. Ignoring this sum, turnover on the event was £36,065.90.

The cost of the Newsletter was less than in 2003 because it was not possible to issue a colour supplement to mark the Ready Steady Light event. However, in general the costs of printing and postage have risen at a faster rate than general inflation.

These accounts are provided for information, since their formal approval is the responsibility of CIBSE Light and lighting, not the Society membership. They are therefore presented in a format which, it is hoped, gives a clear picture of the affairs of the Society, rather than in the format required by charity law.

Income

Total income was £73,626.87 made up as follows:
- Carried forward from 2003: £2,464.00
- Supplementary membership fees: £2,010.00
- Sustaining Membership fees: £17,250.00
- CIBSE subvention: £34,717.00
- Sponsorship (1): £12,935.00
- Publication sales: £1,660.10
- Lighting Diploma: £67.86
- Masterclass income: £5,699.02
- Lighting Research & Technology royalties and admin fee (2): £6,312.00
- Ready Steady Light delegate fees: £577.00

Notes on income
(1) This includes part of a year’s sponsorship of the Lighting Masterclasses.
(2) Made up of royalties plus a £2500 contribution towards the Society’s administrative costs.

Expenditure

Total expenditure was £73,626.87 made up as follows:
- Members’ travelling expenses: £9,584.94
- Catering and room hire (3): £24,502.66
- Secretary’s travelling expenses: £1,083.47
- Subscriptions and donations: £2,087.00
- Newsletter printing and postage: £14,121.22
- Lighting Research & Technology administration costs: £4,556.41
- Legal fees: £15.00
- CIBSE management fees (4): £294.00
- Prizes and awards: £2,722.20
- Sustaining Members’ publications: £550.00
- Printing (5): £6,352.40
- Consultants’ fees (6): £7,757.57

Notes on expenditure
(3) Mainly room hire for sessional meetings and venues for Masterclasses.
(4) Fees for handling publication sales.
(5) Other than the Newsletter. The Society takes the cost of printing new publications as they occur and also takes sales income as it occurs. Lighting Guide 12 was published right at the end of the year.
(6) Fees paid to Maureen Sperling for running the 2003-04 Masterclass series plus fees to
Ron Simons for his work as managing editor of *Lighting Research & Technology* and the honorarium paid to Richard Forster as Editor of the *Newsletter*.

**Annual Report**

Membership
Membership has remained stable, though there has been an increase in the number of applications for the Society Diploma, often combined with membership of the Society. The changes to CIBSE’s membership criteria have been considered but have not required significant changes to the Society’s own criteria, other than replacement of the age limits by requirements for specific periods of experience in light and lighting.

Publications and technical
An update of the 2002 edition of the *Code for Lighting* CD-ROM was issued early in the year and made available to those who had purchased the 2002 edition at a special discount. In addition to reinstating certain material in the Schedule of the *Code for Lighting* which had been dropped when the European Standard on lighting of indoor workplaces was implemented, the CD included a new edition of Lighting Guide 7: *Office lighting* and a guide dealing with obtrusive light. Lighting Guide 7 will be published in May 2005 but the document on obtrusive light will be available only on the CDROM.

At the end of the year Lighting Guide 12: *Emergency lighting design guide* was published, replacing the long out-of-print Technical Memoranda 12.

Work continued on numerous other publications including revisions of Lighting Guide 2: *Hospitals and health care buildings*, Lighting Guide 4: *Sports* and a lighting guide on transport buildings. It is intended that a printed edition of Lighting Guide 1: *Industrial lighting* should be published in 2005 as soon as the provisions of BSEN 12404-2 on lighting of outdoor workplaces are finalised. A FactFile was issued on lighting for the visually impaired. At the end of the year work was underway on a number of other FactFiles.

There was considerable debate in the latter part of the year, continuing into 2005, on the recommendations to be included in Lighting Guide 7 on ceiling illuminance ratios.

The Society spent some time formulating its views on the proposed revisions of Part L of the Building Regulations and a number of members have made significant contributions to the Building Regulations expert panel on lighting. The Society has considerable concerns about the proposals for lighting as currently published.

The Society was asked to take part in a consultation on whether light pollution should be made a statutory nuisance. The Society view was that there were considerable legal difficulties in defining light pollution in an objective way, that there were not usually health risks involved – as with existing statutory nuisance provisions – and that on balance the Society was therefore against the proposal on practical grounds. In this we were in a minority, and legislation has since been introduced. The Society has also had an effective input to this discussion through the All Party Parliamentary Lighting Group.

Education and Membership Committee
The Education and Membership Committee had been hoping to introduce Continuing Professional Development requirements for those members not covered by the CIBSE scheme. However, after agreement had been reached to model the Society’s requirements as closely as possible on those of CIBSE, the Institution decided to change its own literature. The new documentation was available at the end of the year and the Society Education and Membership Committee is considering how best to implement a similar scheme for the Society.

The Committee has continued to review the membership criteria, particularly those for Fellow for which few applications are received.

To enable applications to be dealt with in a timely manner without requiring extra meetings of the Membership Panel, procedures are being developed to deal with straightforward applications by post.

Dublin symposium
From 1-3 April, the first International symposium organised by the Society took place at Dublin Institute of Technology. Some 120 delegates heard a series of invited papers leading up to a colloquium on the Saturday morning which discussed the future of the Society’s lighting recommendations. The results of this event have since been fed into the development of Society policy, particularly on the *Code for Lighting* and recommendations for office lighting. We are very grateful for the support of the Lighting Industry Federation, Sustainable Energy Ireland and Dublin Institute of Technology in making this event possible.

Events and promotion
The first series of sponsored Masterclasses was completed in May with events in Bristol,
Salford, Birmingham and Nottingham, and the first two events of the second year of the three-year programme took place in October and November in Edinburgh and Liverpool. The three sponsors have worked together very well to produce an integrated programme of presentations. The Society has invited a number of guest speakers who have been well received. Attendance has averaged about 50 at each event. We are most grateful to Thorn Lighting Holophane Europe and Philips Lighting for their support for these important events.

In the North West, the Regional Lighting representatives of the North West and Merseyside & N Wales Regions have combined forces to put on a programme of three events in the area. These have been very well supported.

The second Ready, Steady, Light event was very successful with more teams wishing to take part than could be accommodated. The theme “A night at the movies” was adopted, with each team being given a film title to light. The sites around the campus at rose Bruford College and the film titles were drawn at random, giving one or two of the teams a considerable challenge in producing appropriate schemes. All did very well. Once again sponsorship was provided by numerous firms some of which have donated equipment for long-term use.

London Meetings Committee
Sessional meetings were held between January and April and September and December; attendance was very variable, but there are unfortunately signs of a gradually drop-off in attendance. This is a problem found by the CIBSE Home Counties Regions and many London based organisations.

The Young Lighters of the Year event was again successful, with four very professional finalists. Thanks are due to the Institution of Lighting Engineers and the Worshipful Company of Lightmongers for providing two of the prizes.

The Annual General Meeting, President’s Address and Reception took place at London’s Transport Museum, always a popular event, though it was noticeable that many members were so busy talking to colleagues and friends that they were taking little account of their surroundings.

Sustaining Members
By the end of the year, two further Sustaining members had signed up. Their financial and other support is vital in enabling the society to carry out its range of activities. Several Sustaining members made valuable comments on draft publications.

Lighting Research & Technology
The number of papers being submitted continues to be satisfactory. The promotional brochure mentioned in the 2004 annual report was produced and distributed widely. Even with these efforts, circulation has not risen significantly, and the committee feels that further marketing effort is vital.

Newsletter
Four issues were published along with one Factfile. Richard Forster continued as Honorary Editor, supported by a small advisory committee.

Into 2005

These paragraphs, which summarise events since 31 December 2004, do not form part of the formal report but are included to bring the picture up-to-date.

Ready Steady Light 2005 started in a snowstorm, but this did not deter entrants in the least. It was decided not to repeat the “theme” but instead to give teams a free hand. There were some very imaginative schemes; a surprise was that two of the three prizes on offer were won by teams from manufacturers, with the third won by the Rose Bruford team. The teams entered by lighting consultants were unsuccessful, though all had great fun. The evening ended with a hogroast. Mike Simpson has taken over the organisation of Ready Steady Light from Mark Ayers, and is assisted by Liz Peck. Mike is already an external lecturer at the College. Planning has already begun for 2006.

After considerable delay in finding suitable photographs, the new edition of Lighting Guide 7: Office lighting was published in May 2005 and is being launched at a one-day event at Balham.

The Young Lighters of the Year competition had only three finalists this year, as there were not felt to be sufficient high quality entrants to merit choosing a fourth. On the night we were fortunate to have the three presentations, as one entrant had had to return to New Zealand and arrange for a colleague to present his paper, and a second had only just returned from a business trip to the Middle East.

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The second year of the three-year Masterclass programme has been completed with events at Dublin, Sheffield, Knebworth Park and Farnham Castle. Planning for the third year has now begun.
Responding to requests from members, the Society has arranged facilities for access by members to the library at the Bartlett School of Graduate Studies, which has an extensive collection of lighting books and journals.

The Lighting Research & Technology committee has initiated production in electronic format of a complete set of the papers published in volumes 1 to 32 inclusive of the journal. It is hoped that these CDs will be available in the next few months and it is intended that they will be made available to members at a very reasonable price.

The work of the Society would be impossible without the voluntary efforts of a large number of members. We were pleased to welcome several new Regional Lighting Representatives during the year, and thank those who retired after a period of service.

The Society liaises regularly both formally and informally with other bodies in the lighting world including the Institution of Lighting Engineers, Lighting Industry Federation, Lighting Association, European Lighting Designers’ Association and International Association of Lighting Designers. The Society’s London evening meetings are now being co-ordinated with the technical meetings of the ILE London & South East Region. The Society is represented on a number of British Standards Institution technical committees and on the ODPM Building Regulations expert panel on lighting.

Sustaining Members as of 17 May 2005
- Abacus Lighting
- Chroma Lighting (NI) Ltd
- Commercial Lighting Systems Ltd
- Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street
- Dublin Institute of Technology, Bolton Street
- ECI Lighting Ltd
- Erco Lighting Ltd
- FaberMaunsell
- Fitzgerald Lighting
- Garrabridge Ltd
- Gebron Technical Services
- E F Hamilton Ltd
- Hoare Lea Lighting
- Lighting Concepts (Dublin)
- Louis Poulsen UK Ltd
- Luxonic Lighting plc
- Lyktan Lighting (UK) Ltd
- Marlow Integrated Designs Ltd
- Profile Emergency Lighting Ltd
- Project Lighting Ltd (Dublin)
- Ridi Lighting Ltd
- Whitecroft Lighting

Wila Lighting Ltd

Sponsors in Partnership
- Holophane Europe
- Philips Lighting
- Thorn Lighting

Sponsors of Ready Steady Light 2004
- International Association of Lighting Designers
- European Lighting Designers’ Association
- Light magazine
- Rose Bruford College
- AC Lighting
- Concord:marlin
- Crescent Lighting
- Designed Architectural Lighting
- Encapsulate
- Erco Lighting
- Fagerhult Lighting
- Holophane Europe
- iGuzzini Illuminazione (UK)
- KIM Lighting
- Lightform
- Martin Architectural Lighting
- Modular Lighting Instruments
- Philips Lighting
- Louis Poulsen
- Pulsar Light
- Thorn Lighting
- Sill Lighting
- Urbis Lighting
- We-ef Lighting
- Zumtobel-Staff Lighting

Officers and Council
At the start of 2004 the Officers and Council were as follows:

- President: David Carter
- President Elect: David Burton
- Vice President: Geoff Gook
- Vice-President – External Affairs: Mark Ayers
- Vice-President – Regions: Steve Langford
- Past President: Barrie Wilde
- Past President: Mike Simpson
- Hon Treasurer: Cliff Shoebridge

Technical and Publications Committee
- Chairman: Peter Le Manquais

Education and Membership Committee
- Chairman: Jean Heap

Elected Members of Council
- Stephen Cannon-Brookes
- Chris Fordham
- Kerry Holdstock
- Rosemary McIntosh
- Tam Moore

Regional Lighting Representatives
- Home Counties North East: Andrew Saville
- Home Counties North West: Manny Stone
- Home Counties South East: Gary Collier
Following the 2004 Annual General Meeting the Officers and Council were as follows:

**President:** David Burton  
**President Elect:** Geoff Cook  
**Vice President:** Stephen cannon-Brookes  
**Vice-President – External Affairs:** vacant  
**Vice-President – Regions:** Steve Langford  
**Past President:** David Carter  
**Past President:** Mike Simpson  
**Hon Treasurer:** Cliff Shoebridge  

**Technical and Publications Committee**  
**Chairman:** Peter Le Manquais

**Education and Membership Committee**  
**Chairman:** Jean Heap

**Elected Members of Council**
- Chris Fordham  
- Kerry Holdstock  
- Maida Hot  
- Jim Patton  
- Andrew Rowe  
- Casual vacancy

**Regional Lighting Representatives**
- Home Counties North East: Andrew Saville  
- Home Counties North West: Manny Stone  
- Home Counties South East: Gary Collier  
- Home Counties South West: Bill Crawforth (also representing the Daylight Group)  
- Southern: vacant  
- South West: Fabian le Dem  
- South Wales: Neville Rees  
- East Anglia: Andrew Rowe (also elected)  
- East Midlands: David Guzzetta  
- West Midlands: Terry Fletcher  
- North West: Brendan Keely  
- Yorkshire: Simon Cathrine  
- Merseyside & N Wales: Clare Grindey  
- North East: Tom McFadden  
- Scotland: Tony Ownsworth  
- Northern Ireland: Jim Patton (also elected)  
- Australia and New Zealand: Dan McKenzie  
- Hong Kong: vacant  
- Ireland: David Vaughan  

**Co-opted**
- Richard Forster (Newsletter Editor)  
- Rosemary McIntosh (London Meetings Committee) (retired Spring 2004)  
- David Loe (LR&T committee)

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- East Midlands: David Guzzetta  
- West Midlands: Terry Fletcher  
- North West: Brendan Keely  
- Yorkshire: Simon Cathrine, replaced by Neil Sutherland  
- Merseyside & N Wales: Clare Grindey  
- North East: Tom McFadden  
- Scotland: Tony Ownsworth  
- Northern Ireland: Jim Patton (also elected)  
- Australia and New Zealand: Dan McKenzie  
- Hong Kong: vacant  
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- Richard Forster (Newsletter Editor)  
- Chris Jackson (London Meetings Committee)  
- David Loe (LR&T committee)  
- Phil Mabey (filling a casual vacancy)
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