

Danby committee meeting, 2 December 2009

Present: Orlando de Lange, Tim Harrison, Anna Herlihy, Shaun Hurst, James McGinnigle

1. Term appraisal

- The IGEM talk was considered a highlight of the term; James needs to add a link to IGEM's website on the Danby website.
- The events this term were well attended in general, but the committee believes more social events would be a good idea.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Orlando will be putting together a list of Danby members soon.
- £1000 has been received from college and is in the account.
- Shaun needs to be reimbursed for two bottles of wine from the IGEM formal.
- There have been a couple of unopened bottles of wine left after talks. The committee needs to get in touch with the conference office to find out what to do with these bottles in future.
- There are 20 hoodies left over from last year. A few will be saved as prizes for the pub quiz, and the remainder offered for sale.

3. Lent term

- Three talks are scheduled for Lent term, on psychology, arachnology and science in conservation.
- At least one of the talks may follow a different format: the talk would start later than usual, with drinks organised at the bar afterwards instead of a formal.
- Social events scheduled for Lent term include the Danby/Whitby formal, a film night in the newly refurbished JCR TV room, a careers event (see below) and the pub quiz/hustings.
- A term card will be produced by James over the vacation, and will be printed professionally.
- The Danby/Whitby formal has been pencilled in for 18 February (6th week), after liaising with the Whitby president.
- The provisional ordering of events is as follows:

Week	Event
1	Film Night
2	Careers Event
3	1 st Talk
4	Pub Quiz
5	2 nd Talk
6	Danby/Whitby Formal
7	3 rd Talk

4. Careers Event

- Orlando has emailed alumni, and had several replies already. Ideally there will be about 5 alumni at the event.
- The Howard Building has been booked for the provisional date of 24 January (2nd week).
- The alumni will be invited to lunch, possibly in the West Lodge if this is feasible. Directors of Studies and other Danby members might also be invited, but this remains undecided.
- Entry will be free for members.

5. Any other business

- The social secretaries' SRCF email address still needs to be handed over to Tim and Anna. **James will look into this**, or alternatively can create an @downingjcr.co.uk address for them.
- The final page on the website will be used for relevant links, rather than a dedicated freshers' page. If the careers event alumni volunteer to share their contact details, they will be posted on this page.
- Party forms and room bookings need to be made for all the events next term. **The social secretaries need to contact Sarah Hudson (srh46)** to organise the Danby/Whitby formal.
- The issue of whether to organise private Danby formals in future (as happens with Whitby), or to continue to use regular formals, remains undecided.