2. Society News

After several years of service the scientific secretary Richard Gill and the treasurer Joe Eaton resigned from office. We introduce their successors (their CVs were provided by Richard Gill) and wish them all the best for their various tasks.

New Scientific Secretary

From October 1 1996 Wilfrid Kendall took over the post of scientific secretaryship to the Bernoulli Society. This post entails – among other things – coordinating scientific meetings held by the society, its sections, and jointly with other societies.

Wilfrid Kendall was born in Oxford, UK, grew up and went to school in Cambridge, and returned to Oxford University to study mathematics first as an undergraduate and then as a DPhil student. His first job was as Lecturer in mathematical statistics at Hull University (1978–1984) where he met his wife Catherine. He then moved to the University of Strathclyde (1984–1988) where he was promoted to Senior Lecturer. Drawn irresistibly by the mathematical attractions of the University of Warwick, he moved to the statistics department there as Lecturer in 1988, since when he has been promoted first to Reader and then to Professor.

His research interests in mathematical sciences include: stochastic geometry, the geometrical study of Brownian motion, coupling techniques for random processes, and applications of computer algebra in probability and statistics. These interests are reflected in various associate editorships, and also in being coordinating editor for the Stochastic Geometry and Statistical Applications section of Advances in Applied Probability.

So you know what he looks like, below is a picture of him on a walking holiday - WSK is the one with glasses!

Find out a little more about him by visiting his Worldwide Web page

http://www.warwick.ac.uk/WWW/faculties/science/Statistics/Staff/WSK/index.html

which will shortly include definitive information on the frequently asked question "which statistical Kendall is related to which"!

The new scientific secretary Wilfrid Kendall and family.

New Treasurer

From January 1 1997, Allan Gut takes over from Morris L. Eaton as treasurer to the Bernoulli Society.

Allan was born 1944 in Stockholm Sweden. He obtained his PhD in 1972 at Uppsala University; supervisor was Professor Carl-Gustav Esséen. He has been employed at Uppsala University since 1965. From 1976-86 he was 'Docent', roughly equivalent to Associate Professor. Since May 1, 1988, he is Professor of Mathematical Statistics.

Allan Gut was one of the main organizers of the memorable 1990 Uppsala meeting (Second World Congress of the Bernoulli Society, and jointly an IMS meeting). He has published approximately 40 papers in the area of renewal theory, classical limit theorems, in particular randomly indexed sums and sums of random variables with multidimensional indices; and is author of two books: Stopped Random Walks (1988), and An Intermediate Course in Probability (1995), both published by Springer.

He is a member of the male chorus Orphei Drängar (which performed, in particular, at the Uppsala meeting).

Below your find a picture of the old (left) and new (right) treasurer. Another picture of Allan Gut is to be found at the web.

http://www.math.uu.se/staff/images/Allan.Gut.GIF

If you are surprised by the difference, Allan explained it in Vienna as a holiday consequence.

To find out more, check out his home page

http://www.math.uu.se/~allan/

The old and the new treasurer: Joe Eaton (left) and Allan Gut (right).