

Manifesto:

James Wawrzynski for President

I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the committee for the past year as SciSoc Events Director. This experience has given me an insight into the successful running of the society and a clear picture for 2009/10 and beyond. I believe that identifying the strengths of each member on our team is vital for success. A strong team will allow us to achieve new aims and create a truly exceptional society for our members.

Aims 2009/2010

- Work with the Events Director to put together a fascinating lecture programme. As current Events Director I have already confirmed various speakers from the media, politics and the cutting edge of science: Robert Winston, Marcus du Sautoy, Mr Peter Butler (surgeon for 1st UK face transplant), Sir David King and Professor John Beddington.
- Work with the Events Director to organise excursions. I assisted in the organisation of the 2008 CERN trip and am currently making progress on Star City/Moscow and also the JET project in Oxford.
- Set up 'cocktail night' social events. This is invaluable in transforming SciSoc into a more social society. I have done some research into this already. It is clear that dedicated sponsorship will be required.
- SciSoc currently has no member benefits in Cambridge such as discounts, queue-jump etc. I have a few contacts and some ideas. We will work on this over the summer.
- Continue the success of our AFD and annual garden party.
- Our publicity is currently very effective. Last year I tried to ensure that freshers were made aware of SciSoc as early as possible. This was successful and I plan to repeat this, possibly with a greater emphasis on arts students.
- Build a strong General Committee.
- Next year has the potential to be difficult in terms of sponsorship; it is possible that our major sponsors cut their sponsorship budgets. I will work with the committee to renew as many of the current contracts as possible and to find new sponsors who will subsidise our current income.
- **PLAN AHEAD:**
 - 1) I believe that we can attract the world's best speakers to talk at SciSoc. This requires advance planning, possibly on the scale of years. Many of next year's speakers were confirmed last year. I will encourage the next events director to plan ahead in the same way.
 - 2) We will consider the suggestion of setting up an endowment to ensure long term financial security and provide a reliable source of income.

Any questions? Email me on events@scisoc.com