

Royal Society of Chemistry

**ANNUAL INTEREST GROUP REPORT FOR 2008**

for use by RSC Interest Groups (i.e. Subject Groups and Sectors) including Analytical Division Regions

This report will normally appear on the appropriate RSC Interest Group web page.

<http://www.rsc.org/InterestGroups>

RSC Groups including Analytical Division Regions are asked to complete this form and return it to: Anne Bennett, Royal Society of Chemistry, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA. Email: [bennetta@rsc.org](mailto:bennetta@rsc.org). Fax: 020 7734 1227 or, if you prefer, to your usual RSC staff contact.

<b>INTEREST GROUP NAME or AD REGION NAME</b>	North West Region Analytical Division
<b>Chairman</b>	Megan McLean
<b>Secretary</b>	Stuart Forbes
<b>Treasurer</b>	Peter Doyle
<b>Number of members on the committee</b>	9
<b>Editor, Newsletter (if applicable)</b>	No newsletter but website at <a href="http://www.nwad.org">www.nwad.org</a>
<b>Submitted by</b>	Stuart Forbes
<b>Signed</b>	<i>S. Forbes</i>
<b>Date</b>	22 June, 2009

Please list below the dates of your proposed AGM and Committee Meetings for 2009 (where applicable).

**Annual General Meeting 2009 (if being held)**

Date: 23 April, 2009                      Venue: Manchester Interdisciplinary Biocentre (University of Manchester)

**Proposed Committee Meetings 2009**

Date: 4 February, 2009                  Venue: Manchester Metropolitan University  
Date: 23 April, 2009                      Venue: Manchester Interdisciplinary Biocentre (prior to AGM)  
Date: 22 June, 2009                      Venue: Manchester Metropolitan University  
Date: 23 September, 2009                Venue: Manchester Metropolitan University  
Date: 23 November, 2009                Venue: Manchester Metropolitan University

**FINAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2008**

**Please attach a copy of the financial report you have sent to the RSC Accounts Department**

Deadline for receipt of Financial Accounts: **14<sup>th</sup> February 2009**

Deadline for receipt of Annual Report by members: **31<sup>st</sup> March 2009** (Annual Report can be posted on webpage if not sent to members individually)

## **ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN 2008**

Please report below on activities undertaken by the Group or AD Region in 2008. If you have more detailed information about any particularly successful events, or advice for other Groups and AD Regions, you may use a separate sheet. For more events continue as necessary.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue and number of participants</b>	<b>List of Speakers</b>	<b>How was event publicised (before and after meeting)?</b>	<b>How does meeting fit with RSC strategy / Awards Given?</b>	<b>Any other comments?</b>
North West Film Archive Meeting	30 January 2008	Manchester Metropolitan University		E-mail of database and website		
Chemometrics Symposium and Theophilus Redwood Lecture	4 April 2008	University of Manchester		E-mail of database and website		
Manchester Heat of Schools Analyst Competition	30 April 2008	Manchester Metropolitan University		Mailings, networking and website		
Liverpool Heat of Schools Analyst Competition	1 March 2008	John Moores University, Liverpool		Mailings, networking and website		
North Wales Heat of Schools Analyst Competition	15 April 2008	Bangor University		Mailings, networking and website		
Cumbria Heat of Schools Analyst Competition		University of Central Lancashire, Preston		Mailings, networking and website		

National Final of Schools Analyst Competition	23-24 June 2008	Bangor University	16 schools participated	Winners of UK regional heats	Manchester Grammar School – 3 <sup>rd</sup> place and Gerry Davison Memorial Award	Not organised by North West Region, but we hosted the event and provided some sponsorship
Long Service Members Lunch	14 May 2008	Burton Manor College ~60 members participated		Mailings, networking and website		Very popular annual event sponsored by North West Region
Electrochemistry North West Meeting	2 June 2008	University of Manchester		E-mail of database and website		
RSC General Assembly	14-15 November 2008	Our Chairman attended this meeting	Any comments:			

## SCIENTIFIC MEETING SCHEDULE 2009

Please report below on proposed activities for your Group or AD Region in 2009. For more events continue as necessary on a separate sheet.

	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4	Event 5
Proposed Meeting Date	7 March; 28 April; 31 March; 6 May	28 April	7 May	2 June	3 November
Proposed Meeting Venue	JMU; MMU; Bangor University; UCLAN	Manchester Interdisciplinary Biocentre, University of Manchester	Burton Manor College	Sellafield	The Heath, Runcorn
Scientific Area/Topic	4 regional heats of the Schools Analystst Competition at Liverpool, Manchester, Bangor and Preston	Regional AGM with speakers	Long Service Members Lunch and speaker	Radiochemistry and Waste Management Conference	Advances in Gas Chromatography
Is meeting for Education/ Training / Networking / Other purposes?	Education, training, networking and promotion	Networking and obligatory requirement	Networking and communication	Education, training and networking	Training and networking
Are any other RSC Interest Groups and/or RSC Regions involved?					
List any other collaborators (incl. International).					Chromatographic Society
Give details of any awards to be presented.	Awards from various industrial sponsors				
Will certificates of attendance be issued for CPD purposes?					
<b>PUBLICITY</b>					
Have details been entered onto webpage?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Will RSC Grapevine be used to publicise meeting?					
Will any other publicity routes be used?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Will RSC or IG promotional material be distributed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Committee expertise that you would like highlighted on your Group/Region web page?

In the last two years the demographics of our committee have changed dramatically owing to the retirement of a few very long serving members who have given tremendous service and loyalty to the region for many decades. All our committee members are now active chemists (i.e. in employment) both in the industrial and academic sectors and are actively engaged with a wide variety of analytical techniques supporting a diversity of businesses.

### Other information/comments:

1. The region has established a relatively healthy financial position through organising many highly successful meetings in the past and from sound management of our activities over many years. This has enabled us to initiate and sponsor activities in our region which have subsequently developed into nationwide activities (e.g. Analytical Science Network for younger analysts), and to provide sponsorship for various events including:

- Scientific meetings.
- Schools Analyst Competition (we run four regional heats per year).
- Post-graduate students participating in analytical conferences.
- School visits to analytical science departments at local universities.
- Annual Long Service Members Lunch.
- Gerry Davison Memorial Award (jointly with the North West Trust of the Industry and Technology Forum) to the highest placed school from the region providing that they finish within the first three places in the national final.

2. The North West Region Education Forum was established in 2008 involving local sections and North West Region Analytical Division. Its main purpose is to facilitate communication on education matters in the region, a pervasive subject which involves several RSC Interest Groups and therefore requires good networking both within the RSC and with some external bodies.

3. The North West Region Analytical Division currently has 1114 members spread throughout the region from the Scottish Border to Mid-Wales.

## Royal Society of Chemistry Group Account

### Receipts and Payments 1 January 2008 - 31 December 2008

**Group Name:** Analytical Division, North West Region

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Key</u>	£	£
Interest: Business Premium Account	1	56.65	
Interest: Business Bonus Account	1	934.01	
Interest: RSC Deposit Account	1	0.00	
Subscriptions	2	0.00	
Grants	3	4,000.00	
Meetings and Conferences	4	1,007.87	
Other	5	3,040.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>£9,038.53</b>	
<u>Payments</u>			
Meetings & Conferences	6		5,726.64
Donations	7		6,590.00
Committee	8		1,167.67
Stationery/Postage/Telephone/Photocopying	8		363.59
Committee Lunches at RSC	8		0.00
Audit	8		0.00
Other Expenditure	9		0.00
<b>Total Payments</b>			<b>£13,847.90</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>	10		<b>-£4,809.37</b>
<u>Balance Sheet</u>			
Balance at 1st January 2008			34,812.54
Surplus (Deficit) for 2008	10		-4,809.37
<b>Balance at 31st December 2008</b>			<b>£30,003.17</b>
<u>Balance Represented by Deposits in the Bank</u>			
Balance in Current Account			121.51
Balance in Business Premium Account			3,137.11
Balance in Business Bonus Account			26,744.55
<b>Balance as at 31st December 2008</b>			<b>£30,003.17</b>

**The Royal Society Of Chemistry Group Account**

**Group Name:** *Analytical Division, North West Region*

		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>
		£	£
<b><u>Opening Balance 1 Jan 2008</u></b>	<b><u>£34,812.54</u></b>		
<u>Key Income</u>	<u>RSC Code</u>		
1 Interest	590901	990.66	
2 Subscriptions	590902	0.00	
3 Grants	590903	4,000.00	
4 Meetings & Conference Income	590904	1,007.87	
5 Other Income	590905	3,040.00	
<u>Expenditure</u>			
6 Meeting & Conference Expenditure	690101		5,726.64
7 Donations	690102		6,590.00
8 Administration	690103		1,531.26
9 Other Expenditure	690104		0.00
10	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>9,038.53</u></b>	<b><u>13,847.90</u></b>
<b><u>Add Surplus/(Deficit)</u></b>			<b><u>-£4,809.37</u></b>
<b><u>Closing Balance 31 December 2008</u></b>			<b><u>£30,003.17</u></b>