



IMPERIAL COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

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Report of the Honorary Secretary (September 2004 to September 2005)

This was another eventful and fruitful year for the Imperial College Alumni Association of Singapore (ICAAS). The main activities organised or participated by ICAAS this year are summarised below.

Social and Recreational Activities

1. ICAAS Annual Dinner and AGM (26 Sep 2004)
The ICAAS Annual Dinner and 27th AGM was held aboard the *Harbour Queen*. Chen Hung was instrumental in arranging for the spacious boat and good food.
2. ICAAS Dinner with Prof David Ewins and Prof Mary Ritter (14 Oct 2004)
An ICAAS dinner was held at Crystal Jade Golden Palace restaurant with Prof David Ewins, the Pro rector for International Relations, and Prof Mary Ritter, the Pro rector for Education Quality at Imperial College. The dinner was hosted by Ms Ip Siok Hui.
3. ICAAS Dinner with Dr Tariq Ali (17 Nov 2004)
An ICAAS dinner was held at the Penang restaurant with Dr Tariq Ali, the Director of Research at the Environment Office of Imperial College. The dinner was hosted by Prof Wong Limsoon.
4. ICAAS Dinner with Lord Oxburgh (2 Dec 2004)
An ICAAS dinner was held at the Tanglin Club in honour of Lord Ron Oxburgh, who was the previous rector of Imperial College and is currently the Chairman of Shell and Chairman of the UK House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology. The dinner was organised with sponsorship from Prof and Mrs K K Phua.
5. ICAAS Lecture by Prof Dorothy Griffiths (14 Jan 2005)
The first lecture of the ICAAS Seminar Series for 2005 was entitled "Creating Great Places to Work: The HR Challenge of the 21st Century". Prof Dorothy Griffiths is the Deputy Principal of the Tanaka Business School and Professor of Human Resource Management, Imperial College.
6. ICAAS Dinner with Prof David Ewins (4 Mar 2005)
An ICAAS dinner was held at Golden Peony at Conrad with Prof David Ewins. The dinner was hosted by Ms Chin Wai Phin.
7. ICAAS Lecture by Finn Jackson (8 Mar 2005)
The second ICAAS lecture was on "Creating Self-Reinforcing Competitive Advantage". Finn Jackson, an Imperial College alumni, based the lecture on his book

“The Escher Cycle: Creating Self-Reinforcing Business Advantage”. Over 20 participants attended the talk.

8. Dragon Boat Race (26-27 Mar 2005)
ICAAS fielded two dragon boat teams in our maiden race. The two new teams put up a commendable performance, and achieved 3rd and 4th positions. Mr Raymond Kwok of UOB Life Assurance and Mr Anthony Lye of TPA Strategic Holdings provided generous sponsorship.
9. ICAAS Dinner with Anne Benjamin (12 Apr 2005)
Anne Benjamin was here to oversee the arrangements for the graduation ceremony of the Imperial College Singapore MBA class. ICAAS Exco had dinner with her at Ling Zhi restaurant and assisted her in planning the graduation event.
10. ICAAS Dinner with Prof David Ewins (6 Jun 2005)
Another ICAAS dinner was held at Chef Chan’s restaurant with Prof David Ewins. The dinner was hosted by Prof K K Phua.
11. ICAAS Lecture by Stephen Lim (7 Jun 2005)
The third ICAAS lecture was on “For Money or For Love: Confessions of a Struggling Entrepreneur”. Stephen Lim is the CEO of SQL View Pte Ltd and an Imperial College alumni. Matthew from the ICAAS Dragon Boat team also gave a short presentation on the dragon boat race in Mar 2005.
12. ICAAS Evening at The Pines (15 Jul 2005)
This event was organised by Mark Wong as part of the British Alumni’s monthly Pub Night. Everyone had an enjoyable time of good food and drinks.
13. Dinner Event for “100 Years of Physics” (11 Aug 2005)
Prof K K Phua generously allocated a table to ICAAS for this conference banquet which was held at Orchard Hotel. DPM Tony Tan was the Guest-of-Honour.

Other Activities

14. Imperial College Singapore MBA Graduation Ceremony (4 Jun 2005)
The ICAAS Exco represented ICAAS at the MBA graduation ceremony at the Fullerton Hotel. Ms Loh Wai Kiew, then President and CEO of SembEnviro, was the Guest-of-Honour. The ICAAS Best MBA Student book prize was awarded to Lie Sook Sian, Lorayne for being the best all-round final year student.
15. ICAAS Most Outstanding Student Award
The MOSA is awarded to a current Imperial College Singapore Society (ICSS) member who has made significant contributions to the student community. The candidates are nominated by ICSS and selected by an ICAAS panel. This year’s interviews were conducted on 27 Aug 2005 and the award will be given out at the ICAAS Annual Dinner and AGM on 16 Sep 2005.

16. Imperial College Singapore Society Activities
ICAAS continued to support ICSS activities. ICAAS, Dr Chua Ting Kin, Mr Baey Yam Keng, Mr. Huang Shang Bai and Prof Wong Limsoon provided sponsorship for various ICSS activities.

17. Dragon Boat Team
The newly formed ICAAS dragon boat team trains regularly and participates in competitive races. The team has also joined the Singapore Dragon Boat Association.

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