

# Social Events



*Bees dance to communicate flower locations.*

**The ASE Annual Conference brings together around 3,000 delegates from across the UK and abroad; what better time could there be to meet new people, share your passion for science education and update and develop ideas and interests you share.**

To help you relax after each day of sessions and to create the sociable environment for sharing of ideas, fun and enthusiasm, there is a packed schedule of evening events on offer.

Don't worry if you're at your first Conference and don't know anyone, come along to any of the social events and you can be sure that you'll find plenty of friendly souls to chat to.

## **International Dinner, Wednesday 6 January**

Whether you have travelled to Nottingham from overseas or from a closer location, the International Dinner offers the opportunity to meet with delegates from a wide variety of fields and areas of experience, while enjoying a three-course dinner and the drinks reception that precedes it. Lenton and Wortley Hall has a uniquely atmospheric dining room. Its high wooden ceiling and arched windows have made it an ideal venue for many successful medieval banquets! To book your ticket for the International Dinner add your request to the registration form in this Programme Preview.

## **Members' Reception, Thursday 7 January**

Everyone is welcome to join the ASE for a drink to celebrate the achievements of the past year and to look forward to further successes in the coming year. The Members' Reception is the perfect chance to meet up with old friends if you are a Conference regular or to find your feet and make new friends if this is your first experience of ASE and the Annual Conference.

There is no need for a ticket or reservation to join this event, just come along and enjoy yourself. **This year's reception will be held from 5.15pm until 6.00pm in Exhibition Marquee 1.**

## **Association Dinner, Friday 8 January**

This formal event celebrates the impressive tradition of ASE. With music, toasts, excellent food, wine and stimulating speeches, the Association Dinner is a wonderful event away from the atmosphere of the classroom!

To book your ticket for the Association Dinner, being held this year in the East Midlands Conference Centre, on the University Park campus at the University of Nottingham, please complete the enclosed registration form.

## **Other social events**

For further and, possibly, more energetic entertainment you can exercise your limbs and larynx each night at the discos and karaoke. Or try something altogether **new for 2010 - Strictly Come Dancing** - ASE style!! Professional ballroom dancers will show you what to do, then it's over to you to put the new moves into practice. You can test your knowledge at the quiz, find out about bows and archery from a world record-holding bow man, or be stunned by the infamous **Chemical Magic Show!**

The bar at **Lenton and Wortley Hall**, where most of the social events will take place, is open from 7pm until 11pm nightly (until 1am on Thursday and Friday), offering a relaxed environment where you can catch up with old friends, meet new friends and debate the ideas you have encountered during the day.

*Thursday 7 January 2010  
Waning moon, crescent*

