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There have been a few changes in the Trustees this Session, with Professor Calder and Mr Macnicol taking on the job and with Dr Montgomery becoming Joint Treasurer. We are very pleased that they have accepted their posts.

One of the major decisions this year is that the Appeal Fund is to provide bursaries for Society members undertaking an intercalated Honours year. Watch this space for further details. It is also hoped to provide more money for the Travel fund, and this along with the Cross Trust award (£1000 for each block) makes the future look good for prospective elective students.

A problem that both Council and Trust are trying to address is the ever-increasing cost of running the Society. You can do your bit to help by turning off all those lights and by making sure the library books stay in the Library!

Council is the student group who run the RMS on a day-to-day basis (with AP's help of course!!). Apart from the usual events such as the Inaugural Address and Annual Dinner, we organised the Medical Faculty Ball this year (and a good night was had by all!). We have also acted as host for a series of open days for prospective medical students, and have been involved in the curriculum review meetings - to make life easier for the prospective students when they get here.

On the material side of things the Computer Assisted Learning equipment has arrived and should be installed in the Audio-visual room soon. The new-improved photocopier is doing good business in the office too.

We are also doing our best to re-educate the medical publishing world with a number of student groups meeting with representatives of Churchill Livingstone. This is proving interesting for both sides.

Well, I think I have just used up my space. A final word must go to thank those involved in resurrecting Res Medica. Good work!

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