Welcome to BCC26!



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Some facts about BCC26

- **First** BCC ever accommodating mini-symposia:
 - Emerging methods in Extremal Combinatorics (run by Andrew Treglown)
 - Graph Colouring (run by Jan van den Heuvel)
 - Patterns in permutations and words (run by Sergey Kitaev)
- **Second** BCC ever in **Glasgow**; previously,
 - BCC10 (University of Glasgow) in 1985
- Third BCC ever whose year begins with 20 and ends with a 2-digit prime number; previously,
 - BCC23 (University of Exeter) in 2011;
 - BCC24 (Royal Holloway, University of London) in 2013
- Fourth BCC ever held on 3-7 July; previously,
 - BCC3 (University of Oxford) in 1972;
 - BCC12 (University of East Anglia) in 1989;
 - BCC15 (University of Stirling) in 1995

etc, etc ...

• Twenty sixth BCC ever (since 1969).

Number of BCC participants



Geography of participants



29 countries – truly international!

Geography of participants



Various matters

- Unfortunately, by reasons beyond our control, volumes of surveys in combinatorics, as well as most of notepads, have not yet arrived. We hope to receive them today and give them to you asap. Further announcements on this are to follow.
- Unusual schedule for plenary talks and some contributed talks is caused by building constraints.
- Session chairs are not always the same as in the printed version of the full programme. Everything on the conference website is up-to-date.
- The traditional Richard Rado lecture is to be delivered by Vitek Jelinek.
- Unfortunately, Antonio Cossidente, a plenary speaker, could not attend the conference.

Various matters

- Most of the contributed talks sessions today end at 6:00pm, not at
 5:30pm originally announced. Abstracts for extra talks were given to you on separate sheets, and they are available on the conference website.
- Vadim Levit's talk was moved from Thursday to Monday at 5:30.

Timetables for parallel sessions

Monday 3 July					
	Main	Level 1			
10.30 - 10.50	Sajjad	Kingan			
10.55 - 11.15	Stinson	Merino			

	Auditorium A	Auditorium B	Auditorium C	Level 1	Room 6	
1.45 – 2.05	Trenk	Pace	Ando	Weiner	Kitaev	
2.10 - 2.30	Jonck	Blackburn	Chishti	Linusson	Tsuchiya	
2.35 – 2.55	Harris	Donovan	Yow	Korpelainen	Simanjuntak	
3.30 - 3.50	Taranenko	lsaev	van den Heuvel	Elizalde	Pavlíková	
3.55 – 4.15	Marbach	Allen	Quiroz	Bean	Sugeng	
4.20 - 4.40	Hilton	Bartley	Škoviera	Zhuang	Pirzada	
4.45 – 5.05	Wanless	Skerman	Máčajová	Miceli	Bencs	
5.10 - 5.30	Potapov	Satake	Brown Fu		Meemark	
5.35 – 5.55		Gorgol	Levit	Markström	Bailey	

This year one-off change in a BCC tradition



The traditional geographic distribution of plenary speakers

This year geographic distribution of plenary speakers

Additionally, to mark the occasion of Bill Tutte's centenary, Graham Farr (Monash University) will deliver a lecture entitled "W. T. Tutte: Graph theory as he had grown it".









Banqueting hall of City Chambers



Conference group picture

Tomorrow, on **Tuesday**, right before the lunch (at **12:20**) in the foyer



BCC business meeting tomorrow

12.20 – 1.45	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch		
1.45 – 3.00	Contributed talks	Mini-symposia	Excursion to	Contributed talks		
3.00 - 3.30	Tea break	Tea break	Culzean Castle	Tea break		
2 20 6 00	Contributed talks 3.30 – 6.00	Mini-symposia 3.30 – 5.00	1.00 – 7.00	Contributed talks 3.30 – 5.10		
3.30 - 6.00		BCC business meeting Livingstone Tower 1415		Open problem session Level 1 auditorium		
	Civic reception 7.00 – 8.00	Concert	\mathbf{i}	Conference dinner 6.30 – 10.30		
	City Hall	7.00 – 9.00 Level 1 auditorium	\mathbf{i}	Barony Hall		
			Level 1 auditorium			



Thomas Selig The coordinator

Concert tomorrow

Room: Level 1 auditorium

Time: 7:00-9:00pm



Excursion on Wednesday

Time: 1:00 - 7:00pm



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Time: 1:00 – 7:00pm



Culzean Castle Country Park

BCC committee meeting on Wednesday



Room: LT14.15 (14th floor)

Time: 8:00pm

Livingstone Tower (LT)

Conference dinner (Barony Hall)



Conference dinner (Barony Hall)



Conference dinner (Barony Hall)



Welcome drink: 6:30 – 7:00pm

Dinner: 7:00 – 8:30pm

Ceilidh (playing Gaelic folk music and dancing): 8:30 – 10:00pm

Table plan

Stage



If you are entitled to (partial) reimbursement of expenses

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Step 2 (alternative, recommended for the UK-based students that were promised support):

- Find Kitty Meeks no later than on Thursday, July 6
- Get the form from her and confirm the amount to be reimbursed by us based on our commitment and your receipts
- Hand in to her the **completed and signed** form along with receipts.

Extra support for UK-based students

If you are

- 1. a UK-based PhD student who
- 2. has not applied for support from the conference, and
- 3. would like to apply for support (only for travel and accommodation!)

then you can

either

1. send an email to bcc-support@cis.strath.ac.uk outlining your travel expenses

or

2. find Kitty Meeks and speak to her first about your intentions

until

Thursday, July 6

Enjoy the conference!