

YEAR-END FINALE

The past year was a year of changes at *Cruæ*. First of all, *Mathematical Mayhem* left *Cruæ Mathematicorum* (hopefully to come back soon as a separate publication) and *Skoliad* has been replaced by *Contest Corner*. New columns *Focus On . . .*, *The Problem Solver's Toolkit* and *Problem of the Month* have been going strong. Finally, back files of *Cruæ*, all the way from Volume 1 in 1975, have been released online.

A big change in the life of *Cruæ* has been the retirement of Shawn Godin, who has been the driving force behind *Cruæ* for a number of years. Shawn has done an amazing job in establishing a more electronic file system, clearing proposals backlog and introducing new features to *Cruæ*. I am very happy that CMS has recognized his contributions to mathematics by presenting him with the CMS 2014 Graham Wright Award for Distinguished Service – what a great way to celebrate his achievements.

At this year end, I would like to thank all of the contributors, all the editors and the translators for their dedication to the journal as well as their passion for mathematics and the willingness to share it with the world. I would like to also especially thank all the editors for making my transition a smooth one and for establishing a supportive environment in the creation of each issue of *Cruæ*. Without the awe-inspiring expertise and patience of each member of the editorial board, this journal simply would not be the highest quality internationally recognized problem solving publication that it is.

In this Volume, we are saying goodbye to editors John McLoughlin, Peter O'Hara, Mohamed Omar and Edna James – thank you for all your hard work and commitment to excellence. On the other hand, I would like to welcome guest editors Joseph Horan and Amanda Malloch who have been a great help to me already.

I would like to thank the readers for giving voice to *Cruæ* as well as for their patience as we try to work our way through the backlog. Your submissions and comments are essential in the existence of *Cruæ* because it is driven by its audiences.

The staff at the CMS office has been invaluable in *Cruæ* production. The CMS is present in every step of the process: the receiving and filing of proposals and solutions, the online and print support, corrections and updates and so on. Thank you for being there for *Cruæ*.

In the words of Shawn from last Year-End Finale, “I look forward to another n years of your contributions, letters and email. Now I have to start working on issue 1 . . .”

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