CONGRATULATIONS

Professor Chennupati Jagadish has been awarded the Quantum Device Award for 2010 by the award committee of 37th International Symposium on Compound Semiconductors (ISCS2010) for his pioneering and sustained contributions to compound semiconductor quantum structures and optoelectronic devices. He will be honoured with this award during the opening Session ISCS2010 at Kagawa, Japan.

Professor Ken Baldwin is the recipient of the 2010 Barry Inglis Medal for excellence in measurement science by an individual in Australia. This award, announced by the Parliamentary Secretary for Innovation and Industry Richard Marles, is made by Australia’s National Measurement Institute (NMI). It was awarded to Ken for his world class work in the area of atom manipulation and application to measurement. The award, created in honour of NMI’s inaugural Chief Executive, Dr Barry Inglis, acknowledges and celebrates outstanding achievement in measurement research and excellence in practical measurements in Australia.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Ms Laura Walmsley will be relocating to the Physics Building from Monday 24 May to take up the Departmental Administrator position for the Department of Quantum Science and the Physics Education Centre of RSPE. In the interim, until the PA to the Director is formally resolved, Ms Deborah Bordeau will assume the role of PA to the Director and commence work in this position from the same date. We wish Laura a very successful stint in her new assignment.

Dr Greg Lane, Department of Nuclear Physics, will be overseas from 22 – 30 May 2010. Dr Lane will be visiting PhD student M.L. Smith and Professor G.D. Dracoulis at the Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, US, and for collaborative discussions and research for the TAGS project.

Professor Nail Akmediev, Optical Sciences Group, Department of Theoretical Physics, will visit the University of Burgundy in France for collaborative research on dissipative solitons from 17 May – 18 June. He will also attend the OSA Optics & Photonics Congress in Germany and visit the University of Bayreuth for collaborative research from 19 – 26 June.

VISITORS

Dr Satoshi Yamamoto, from the Institute of Advanced Energy, Kyoto University, will be visiting PRL from 18 – 26 May 2010. He will be working with Dr Boyd Blackwell and Dr David Pretty on extending the PRL data mining project to cover all major international stellarators.

PHYSICS EDUCATION GROUP

From Friday 7 – 28 May the Physics Education Group will meet in the Conference Room from 4-5pm to overview the undergraduate program. All members of the RSPE community are encouraged to attend and participate in discussions about current and future physics education at ANU. Contact: craig.savage@anu.edu.au