Branch committee member scoops physics outreach prize

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IOP East Midlands Branch committee member, Dr David Fairhurst, has won a top Ogden Trust award.

The Ogden Trust awards were launched to recognise and reward sustained and long term efforts in physics outreach, which helps to ensure physics opportunities for all, gives an insight into the real-world appliance of science and helps take physics beyond the classroom. Winners at the first Ogden Outreach Awards, held at The Royal Society in London, received £1,000 to help them further their work.

Dr Fairhurst, of Nottingham Trent University, has been given a sustained contribution award for his longstanding commitment to physics outreach.

His work with the IOP formed a key part of his submission.

David has been a member of the East Midlands branch committee since 2013 and was Chair of the committee 2015-2019. He has been involved in many IOP outreach activities and contributed hugely to the Lam a Physicist girlguiding challenge.

David says of his award "I was truly honoured to be recognised for my outreach "work", which always feels like fun. And of course, this award is also shared with the many wonderful people I have had the pleasure of blowing bubbles, frothing milk, building hovercrafts, launching rockets and generally messing around with over many years".

