

The BDJ news page

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Representative Body elections

John Renshaw, from the Yorkshire Branch, was elected chairman of the BDA's Executive Board at their first meeting on 15 January. He will lead the Board, which will be responsible for the day to day running of the Association, including its finances.

John Phipps (Surrey) was elected chairman of the new Representative Body and Pat Denning (West Midlands) as its vice-chairman.

Geoff Craig, from South Yorkshire Branch, was elected to the Board as its scientist. His election to this post recognised the importance of health and science on the Association's agenda.

Other members elected to the new board were: John Craig (Scotland), Susie Sanderson (South Yorkshire), Gordon Watkins (Norfolk), Alison Lockyer (Oxfordshire), Martin Fallowfield (Cambridgeshire) and Josef Rich OBE (Manchester).

In addition to these the Board is made up of the chairmen of: GDSC — Anthony Kravitz, CCCPHD — Sue Greening, CCHDS — John Lowry and CCUDT & RW — Andrew Lamb.

The chairman of the Private Practice Committee is also a member. Currently this is Martin Fallowfield who is on the Board by election.

The Board is completed by two staff members: John Hunt — chief executive and Tony Glenn — Finance Committee.

There are two ex-officio members who do not have a vote: Stuart Robson - President and John Phipps — chairman of the Representative Body.

Lost contact

The Dentists' Provident Society would be grateful for any information that might

New York Marathon thanks



Left: Ken Hemmings, consultant in restorative dentistry at the Eastman Dental Hospital and Institute, ran the New York Marathon on 7 November 1999 in 3 hours and 19 minutes. He raised £9014 for Imperial Cancer Research and would like to thank all friends and colleagues for their generous support and sponsorship. The charity said that it was the largest donation that they had ever received following participation in a marathon.

help them to make contact with a Mr Elphick whose last known address was in Ramsay, Cambridge.

If you have any information, please contact the Society at 9 Gayfere Street, Westminster, London, SW1P 3HN, Tel: 0171 222 251, Fax: 0171 222 5312 - quoting reference RJRH/FJD/BPB.

New IADMR president



Douglas Lovelock was elected president of the International Association of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology at the 12th International Congress of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology in Osaka, Japan.

Douglas, who is head of department of radiology at Newcastle upon Tyne Dental Hospital and School, will hold this office for the next two years.

The culmination of this presidency will be hosting the 13th ICDMFR in Glasgow. This will start with a pre-congress continuing education course for dental practitioners on Saturday 4 August 2001. The main congress will be held from 5 to 8 August 2001.

Further details can be obtained from: Concorde Services/ICDMFR, 4B, Speirs Wharf, Port Dundas, Glasgow, G4 9TB, Tel: 0141 331 0123, Fax: 0141 331 0234.

Tooth whiteners

Tooth whiteners have been taken off the market following a July 1 decision from the Court of Appeal. The judgement was concerned only with the legal classification of these products, not with their safety.

Although a 1984 amendment to the EU cosmetics directive put a ban on hydrogen peroxide in most cosmetic products, the law is now being relaxed. A 1993 amendment to the EU cosmetics derivative allowed 0.1% hydrogen peroxide in oral hygiene products and 3.6% hydrogen peroxide will shortly be allowed in whiteners used under dentist supervision.

We expect whiteners using hydrogen peroxide to be back on sale in the UK during 2000.

For press enquiries contact Kate Cinamon on 0171 935 0875.

Six receive New Year honours

The New Year's Honours list was announced last month with the following receiving recognition for their services to dentistry:

Below: Professor Andrew Grieve was awarded an OBE. He became a lecturer at Dundee Dental School in 1963 and later moved to Birmingham as a lecturer in conservative dentistry. In 1980, he returned as professor of conservative dentistry to Dundee where he served a term as dean of dentistry. He has been as external examiner at most UK dental schools and a visiting lecturer here and abroad.



He was also a member of the GDC for 10 years, serving on several of its committees.

Below: Bill Allen, president-elect and the retiring chairman of BDA Council was appointed OBE for services to the British Dental Association and dentistry.



He has been a member of the Representative Board from 1978 and for many years on the GDSC. He was closely involved for many years with vocational training, becoming chairman of the committee on vocational training, when VT became mandatory.

During his chairmanship he has been

active in dental politics and has promoted the BDA at an international level, both in Europe and with the FDI where he is a member of their Council. Later this year at Dentistry 2000 he will be installed as BDA President.

Below: Hugh Reid, senior chief dental technician of Lanarkshire Healthcare NHS Trust received an MBE.



He was appointed senior dental technician at Strathclyde Hospital, Motherwell in 1968 in the Orthodontic Department.

In 1978 the Oral and Maxillofacial Unit was opened in Monklands District General Hospital, Airdrie, where he was involved in setting up the Orthodontic and Maxillofacial Laboratory.

Mr Reid has retired after forty years service with the NHS.



Above: Professor Crispian Sculley has been dean of the Eastman Dental Institute for the last five years. He received a CBE for his service to dental patient care, especially those with special needs.

Professor Sculley works in clinical dentistry, not only with patients who have learning and physical disabilities but also those with haemophilia, HIV and transplant patients.

He has published over 700 scholarly works including over 300 original

research papers, 200 review articles, 100 chapters in books and 50 clinical papers, and has written and edited five textbooks on oral medicine and hospital dentistry.

Below: Meredyth Bell — a GDP in Cockermonth — was made an MBE for services to standards in dentistry. She is a director of Denplan and is on the Board of Dental Protection. She is a member of the Standing Dental Advisory Committee and has sat on several working parties as a GDC representative, including future prescribing and care of the elderly.



Meredyth has been active in vocational training and is an audit facilitator for Cumbria.

Below: Ruby Austin received an MBE for services to the Asian Odontological Group. He is also a long-standing member of the General Dental Services



Committee, representing dentists in Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham. Last year he was re-appointed for a further term as a member of the Dental Practice Board in Eastbourne. He is also on the panel appointed by the Secretary of State to hear appeals against the recommendations resulting from disciplinary hearings.