

The BDJ news page

The BDJ accepts all general news items that might interest our readers. Press releases or articles should not exceed 500 words and may be edited. Please include a colour photograph if possible. As space for photographs is limited, priority will be given to good quality and/or interesting pictures. Please send BDJ news items to Sarah Murnal.

BDA Armed Forces Group

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Armed Forces Group will be held at the BDA Headquarters, 64 Wimpole Street, London W1 on Thursday 22 June 2000 at 10.15am to transact the following business:

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Opening remarks
- 3) Minutes of the AGM held on 20 May 1999
- 4) Matters arising from the minutes
- 5) Correspondence or other communications
- 6) Motions of which at least 28 days notice shall have been given to the Group Secretary
- 7) Treasurer's Report
- 8) Annual Reports by:
 - a) Chairman, Armed Forces Group
 - b) Chairman, Armed Forces Committee
- 9) Elections to Group Committee
- 10) Appointment of Auditors
- 11) Revised Group Constitution
- 12) Benevolent Fund
- 13) Any Other Business
- 14) Date of Next Meeting

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Marathon man

Robert Baxter — dentist from Cheshire — will be competing in the Flora London marathon on 16th April. It will be his first marathon and at the age of 54 he says that this is clear evidence that mercury causes brain damage!

Chalkwell is chuffed with IiP award



On February 9th, Chalkwell dental practice was recognised as an Investor in People. Also, on 1st March they won the category - best dental team support programme at The Dental Awards 2000.



He will be running for the Leukaemia Research Fund. If you would like to support Robert please ring 01928 732 184.

New Scottish Office

The new office premises of the Scottish branch of the British Dental Association were officially opened by J. Stuart Robson, President of the Association.



Above: J. Stuart Robson looks on while Alastair MacLean — Scottish Secretary — polish up the plate at the front of the new premises.

Telemedicine

A telemedicine link is being established between the Orthodontic Department in Altnagelvin Hospital in Northern Ireland and the Ascension Island Dental Service. Altnagelvin Hospital is the largest acute hospital in Northern Ireland outside the Belfast area.



There is only one dentist on the island — Mr Johnny Hobson, A Queen's University of Belfast graduate.

The technology will allow Mr Hobson to provide more complex orthodontic diagnoses and treatment plans than might otherwise be possible by videolinking with Ms Roslyn McMullen, Consultant Orthodontist, in Altnagelvin, who will also regularly review patients by telemedicine link, every 3–4 months.

Pictured with Johnny Hobson is (above, left-right) Mrs Joan Hutchinson, Clinical Services Manager, and Miss Roz McMullen, Consultant Orthodontist, Altnagelvin Hospital.