NEWS & NOTES

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The BDJ news page

Please send BDJ news items to Kate Craig.

Press releases or articles should not exceed 500 words and may be edited. Please include a colour photograph if possible. Priority will be given to good quality and/or interesting pictures.

Volunteer rewarded

Dr Brendon Ian David Bell, a dentist from Great Somerford, has been invested as a member of the Order of St John.

Dr Ball (below, left) has been a volunteer for St John Ambulance for 10 years.



Booked admissions scheme funded

More government funding will be made available to develop an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery project in Morecambe Bay, it was announced at the recent Labour Party Conference.



Kevan Wong (centre), a general dental practitioner who was awarded the Doctorate of Philosophy in Implant Dentistry from the University of London in March this year, has recently been made a Research Fellow by The Dunhill Medical Trust Research Fellowships, to investigate the formation of oral bio-films and pathogens on both implants and teeth. Kevan is pictured with Dr Peter Howell (left) of the Eastman Dental Institute and Professor

Alan Boyde from the University of London.

The project will involve close collaboration with all the general dental practices in Morecambe Bay and the three acute hospitals in Lancaster, Barrow and Kendal.

GDPs will be able to directly book patients who require routine minor oral surgery to the appropriate operating list, enabling patients to have 'one-stop' visits. In addition, urgent referrals for oral cancer will be directly booked onto the consultant's clinic ensuring that the target for the two week cancer wait is achieved.

Investing in Bricket Wood

Bricket Wood Dental Practice has become the first dental practice in Hertfordshire to be awarded the Investors in People Standard.

The award was presented to Dr Anil Patel (below, centre) and his staff by Jill Barnes, Business Link Hertfordshire at the practice in Bricket Wood. This was particularly



This was particularly welcome as Shelley Cain has also recently been awarded the prize of Receptionist of the Year 2000 (Southern England.)

Pictured clockwise from left are Loraine Cain, Jill Barnes of Business Link Hertfordshire, Farah Jessa, Samantha Burton, Paula Cravin, Gill Jost of Business Link and Dr Anil Patel.



AstraZeneca Awards

Lucy Kate Bretherton of Birmingham Dental School is pictured receiving the Astra Pharmaceutical Prize for Best Performance in Final BDS Part II 2000 from Air Vice Marshall I.G. McIntyre.

Other winners of the AstraZeneca Award for Excellence were:

Bristol Dental School: Aisling Byrne. Dundee Dental School: Ruth Murphy, Caroline Graham, Susan Baines, Claudia Tipping, Tanja Cerajewska.

Glasgow Dental School: Claire Dunne, Johnathan Byres, James Holt, Gwyneth Jones. Birmingham Dental School: Anthony Eustace,

Liam Grover, Donna Marie Judge, Sheetal Gouri Bhalla, Nitin Prasad.

Newcastle Dental School: Daniel Cattell, Anna Kilborn, Emma Snales, Judith Parkhill.

Manchester Dental School: Punit Shah, Reza Khosravi.

Liverpool Dental School: *R* Cesswell, *M* Woodger.