

British Dental Conference and Exhibition 2005

This year's conference, held in Glasgow from 19-21 May, drew record numbers of exhibitors and delegates from throughout the UK. The theme for this year's meeting was to provide members with "new perspectives" on the profession and the future of UK dentistry.



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BDA President John Craig

A message from the new BDA President

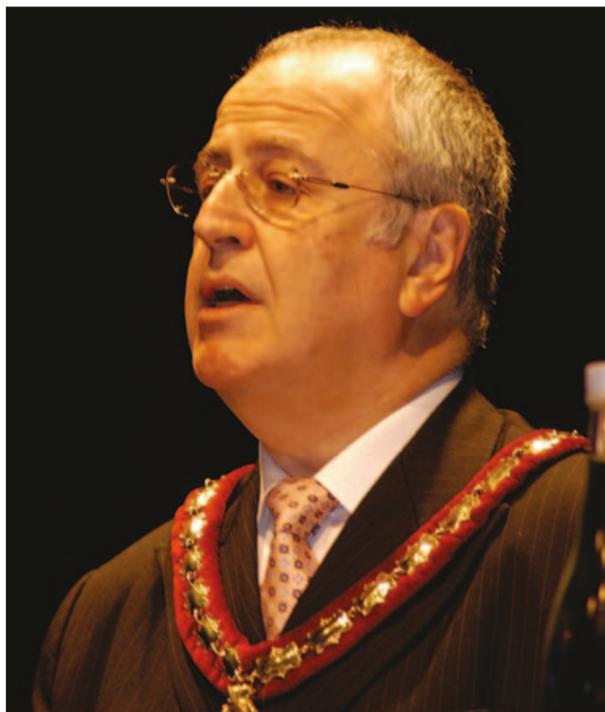
This year's British Dental Conference and Exhibition was our biggest ever. The feedback from members and other attendees has been excellent and our friends in the dental trade and our corporate partners were delighted with the success of the exhibition and the associated fringe and seminar programme.

Going round meeting and talking to delegates, exhibitors and speakers there was a genuine sense of a vibrant successful event and of a profession looking to the future with confidence.

The BDA Events team, supplemented for conference by many other BDA staff, worked flat out to ensure a seamless event. It was a great team effort by BDA staff and officers.

As both Chair of the Events Working Group and as the incoming president, I could not have wished for a better event in which to step down from the former position and to step up to the latter. I would like to thank all concerned; our hard working staff and of course our speakers, sponsors and exhibitors whose continued support enables us to stage such an enjoyable and rewarding event.

John Craig



Former BDA President Anthony Kravitz



BDA President John Craig and Chairman of the BDA Executive Board Ralph Davies



Antonio Cerruti, Head of the Restorative Department at the University of Brescia Dental School, Italy



Jim McDonald, Dean of Dental Faculty, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Scotland



Ashley Latter, known as The Selling Coach, discusses his sales and marketing techniques



BDA President John Craig with the BDA Dental Student Award Winner Susan Milne from Dundee Dental School, Scotland



BDA President John Craig congratulates winners of the BDA's Good Practice Award





The BDA book stand was well attended throughout the conference



There was something for everyone at the trade exhibition



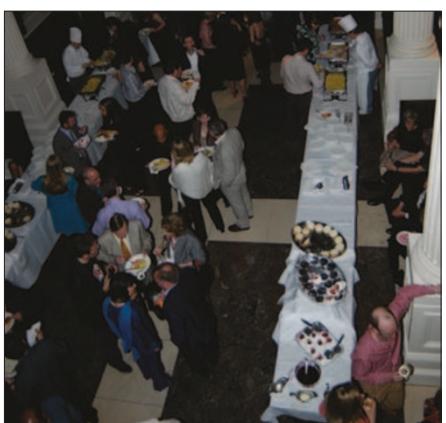
Delegates socialise between lectures



Exhibitor demonstrates an electric toothbrush



This year's VDP ball took place in The Arches, a venue under Glasgow central station. The theme for this year's ball was James Bond films



One of this year's parties was at the lavish Corinthian nightclub, once the venue for Glasgow's High Court



WINNERS OF BDA AWARDS

Announcements
President John Craig

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Dr Josef Rich OBE

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Dr John Lowry

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Dr John Hunt

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VDP Ball Sponsor:
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There were 120 stands at the exhibition
Nearly 3200 people attended this year

Correction

In the 2005 Conference and Exhibition *BDJ* Supplement, p. 41, Exhibitor Profile for Aloe in Dentistry, a website address was printed in error. Aloe in Dentistry do not have a website, but the company's distributor Graeme Leigh can be contacted at ge_leigh@btinternet.co.uk.