

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Professor Neil Anderson became Chair of Organisation Psychology at the University of Amsterdam on 1 September 2002.

Elizabeth Loftus, formerly of the University of Washington, Seattle, has moved to the University of California, Irvine, where she has taken up a post as Distinguished Professor.

Dr Elizabeth Tindle of Queensland University of Technology has been made a Fellow of the Australian Psychological Society.

Sue Wilkinson has been appointed to an endowed chair in women's studies – the Ruth Wynn Woodward Professorship – at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada.

Annual Student Writer Competition 2003

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Award for Outstanding Doctoral Research Contributions to Psychology 2002

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Book Award 2003

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Fellowship citation

Professor Neville Stanton

PROFESSOR Neville Stanton has made a wide-ranging contribution to the field of cognitive ergonomics where he has established himself as an authority on human factors, notably in the design of alarms and other technological systems. His research has contributed to understanding of team working in control rooms, automation systems in driving, risk and error analysis, and he has developed a theoretical model of human alarm handling that he has tested with different alarm media. He has made significant contributions to methodology, notably through his book, co-authored with Mark Young, *A Guide to Methodology in Ergonomics: Designing for Human Use*, and also through an impressive output of publications that



includes refereed journal articles, chapters and edited books. He has disseminated his work widely through conference presentation.

The excellence of Neville Stanton's work has been recognised by the Otto Edholm Award of the Ergonomics

Society. It has also had an important influence on professionals outside of psychology, particularly in the health and safety field and through the British Standards Institution, where Professor Stanton is a recognised expert on danger signals. He is currently Professor of Human-Centred Design at Brunel University, which has a very strong engineering tradition. He is well placed in this post to continue to influence generations of students in aspects of engineering psychology pertinent to the fields in which they will work.

The award of a Fellowship of the Society recognises Neville Stanton's contribution to the knowledge base of psychology and the influence of his work on professional practice in related fields.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES listed by deadline

15 October 2002

British Academy. Larger Research Grants. Tel: 020 7969 5217; e-mail: grants@britac.ac.uk; website: www.britac.ac.uk

31 October 2002

Fyssen Foundation. International Prize. E-mail: secretariat@fondation-fyssen.org; website: www.fondation-fyssen.org

Fyssen Foundation. Research grants (for postdocs). Contact: Secretariat. E-mail: secretariat@fondation-fyssen.org; website: www.fondation-fyssen.org

1 November 2002

Cure Autism Now Foundation. Young investigators award (for postdocs) and pilot research awards – full applications. Contact: Elizabeth Kilpatrick. E-mail: research@cureautismnow.org; website: www.cureautismnow.org

The Royal Society. Research grants. Contact: Susan Moss. Tel: 020 7451 2539; e-mail: susan.moss@royalsoc.ac.uk; website: www.royalsoc.ac.uk

Fyssen Foundation. Project grants. E-mail: secretariat@fondation-fyssen.org; website: www.fondation-fyssen.org

4 November 2002

ESRC. Priority Networks – Gender and Governance. Contact: Ann Jeffcott. E-mail: ann.jeffcott@esrc.ac.uk; website: www.esrc.ac.uk/esrccontent/researchfunding/networks2002.asp

8 November 2002

Research Into Ageing. Programme grants and research fellowships. Contact: Dr Susanne Sorensen. Tel: 020 7404 6878, website: www.ageing.org

ESRC: Research Centres Competition. Contact: Mohammed Quraishi, Competition Project Manager. Tel: 01793 413052; e-mail: Mohammed.Quraishi@esrc.ac.uk; website: www.esrc.ac.uk

13 November 2002

Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues. Grants-in-aid program. Contact: SPSSI Central Office, PO Box 1248, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1248, USA. E-mail: spssi@spssi.org

Alzheimer's Research Trust. PhD project grants and programme grants. Contact: Rebecca Wood. E-mail: azt@btinternet.com

Association for the Study of Animal Behaviour. Postgraduate and research workshops, and research grants. Contact: Sue Healy. Tel: 0131 650 5455; e-mail: s.healy@ed.ac.uk; website: www.societies.ncl.ac.uk/asab/grants.html

21 November 2002

Wellcome Trust. Training fellowships in health research. Contact: Rebecca Christou. Tel: 020 7611 8888; website: www.wellcome.ac.uk

1 December 2002

NERC. Standard Research Grants. Contact: Dr J. H. Baker. Tel: 01793 411564; website: www.nerc.ac.uk

open date schemes

See January and May issues.

A searchable database containing full details of the various national and international funding opportunities for psychologists can be found on the Society's website at www.bps.org.uk/careers/funding.cfm

If you are a grant-awarding body, please e-mail Lisa Morrison (lismor@bps.org.uk) with details of your scheme for inclusion in this column.

SUBSYSTEM NOTICES

DCP SCOTTISH BRANCH

Annual General Meeting
Lancaster House, 5 Lancaster Crescent, Glasgow, Friday 8 November 2002

The AGM will be followed by a presentation 'So Rogers and Beck got married: Developing psychological services through professional diversity' by Michael Higgins (Consultant Clinical Psychologist; Chair, Clinical and Counselling Psychology Executive) and James Dickinson (counselling psychologist) on the relationship between counselling psychology and clinical psychology and their roles in developing multidisciplinary psychology services.

Details will be circulated to Scottish Branch Members, or contact Dr C.J. Dobson. Tel: 01463 704683; e-mail Caroline.Dobson@hpct.scot.nhs.uk

DIVISION OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY AFFILIATES GROUP

Alternative Handbook 2003
Now available at £4.50 a copy.

Cheques payable to DCP Affiliates Group and sent to Direct Sales, BPS, Leicester.

DCP SIG PHYSICAL HEALTH AND DISABILITY

Two-day residential conference 'Building Psychological Care into Stroke Services'

19–20 November 2002, Birmingham University Conference Park

Speakers will include: Jonathan Evans, Cambs; Nicola Kitching, Manchester; Ian Kneebone, Surrey; Nadina Lincoln, Nottingham; Mary O'Reilly, Leicester; Shuli Reich, London.

MEMBERSHIP AND QUALIFICATIONS BOARD

Board of Examiners in Health Psychology

The Board of Examiners in Health Psychology is concerned with the assessment of the Society's Stage 1 and Stage 2 qualifications in health psychology, which provide one of the routes to qualification and registration as a Chartered Health Psychologist. These qualifications are new to the Society and this is the first formal appointment of a board of examiners. The Board is seeking statements of interest in the following positions.

Chair of the Board of Examiners in Health Psychology

The Board would welcome statements of interest from Chartered Health Psychologists who are familiar with health psychology training issues and would be willing to serve as chair of the Board of Examiners. The appointment is made for a three-year term. The chair is expected to represent the Board of Examiners on the Membership and Qualifications Board which meets four or five times a year.

Ordinary members of the Board of Examiners in Health Psychology.

The board would also welcome statements of interest from Chartered Health Psychologists interested in joining the Board of Examiners as ordinary members. These appointments are made for a three-year term, although appointments may be staggered on this occasion to avoid all members completing their term at the same time.

Statements of interest in the above positions must be returned to the Society's Leicester office no later than **31 October 2002**. These positions do not attract payment although, in accordance with the Society's policy, travel and subsistence expenses will be reimbursed. There will generally be four meetings a year; meetings are held in London.

For further information and a statement of interest form in relation to either of the above positions, please contact Jean Duckworth on 0116 252 9518 or jeaduc@bps.org.uk.

Please see our website:
www.sigphd.fslife.co.uk.

For further information and to book a place contact Marilyn Lawrence. Tel: 0116 252 2492; fax: 0116 252 2503; e-mail: ml35@le.ac.uk.

PSYCHOTHERAPY SECTION

The XVth International Congress on Personal Construct Psychology

University of Huddersfield, 14–18 July 2003

Call for papers

We welcome all contributions in the area of personal construct psychology, constructivism and constructionism. Deadline for abstract submission is **Friday 14 February 2003**.

Students

We especially welcome students to take part in this event. There will therefore be sessions devoted to 'works in progress' in which researchers can present their ideas in that propositional manner which characterises the spirit of PCP.

Please check our website for up-to-date information: www.hud.ac.uk/hhs/dbs/conference/pcpXV

NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH

Two-day conference 'Recent Developments In Forensic Psychology'

Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast, Thursday 17 and Friday 18 October 2002

Speakers will include: Prof. David Canter, Prof. Ray Bull, Prof. Max

DEADLINE

Copy deadline for Society contributions is **25 October** for the December issue

Taylor, Dr Ethel Quayle, Ged Bales, Dr Mary McMurrin, His Honour Judge David Smyth QC, Dr Mick O'Connell, Ray Wyre, Dr Bill Lockhart, Dr Jackie Bates-Gaston and Geraldine O'Hare.

If you would like to attend this conference, please contact Anne Kerr, Northern Ireland Branch Administrator. Tel: 028 9027 4129; fax: 028 9027 4160; e-mail: nibpsoffice@yahoo.co.uk. Office hours: Tuesday/Wednesday 9am–5pm, Thursday 9am–12.30pm

Prof. David Canter will also give a public lecture entitled 'Mapping Murder' at 7pm on Wednesday 16 October in Room 122, The Ashby Building at Queen's.

NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH in conjunction with the WELSH and SCOTTISH BRANCHES

Annual Conference 2003

The Comfort Hotel, Portrush, Co. Antrim, 25–27 April 2003

Call for papers

All abstracts must be submitted electronically: www.nibps.org.uk

Abstract deadline: **31 December 2002**.

HISTORY & PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY SECTION 2003 Annual Conference, York

The annual conference of the Section will be held on 15–17 April 2003 at York St John College, which is within easy reach of York city centre. Members and friends of the Section are warmly invited to attend. Accommodation will be in student halls of residence on campus, and the conference will be reasonably priced. We especially welcome

EXAMINATIONS FOR THE QUALIFICATION IN HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY (STAGE 1)

The examinations for the Society's Qualification in Health Psychology (Stage 1) will be held for the first time in 2003.

Candidates wishing to be examined must submit a registration form by **1 November 2002**. Dissertations must be submitted by **1 December 2002**.

The written examinations will be held in Leicester on 14 February 2003. Oral examinations will be held in the spring of 2003 on a date to be confirmed.

For regulations (including the syllabus and reading list) and a registration form please contact Jean Duckworth on 0116 252 9518 or jeaduc@bps.org.uk.

submissions from postgraduate students.

First call for papers and symposia proposals

We welcome proposals for individual papers or symposia dealing with any area of the history, philosophy and theory of psychology. Please send an abstract of your proposed paper of about 150 words in length. In the case of symposia, please also include an indicative outline of the range of papers.

Proposals including names of authors

and their addresses should be sent to Jim Good, Department of Psychology, Science Laboratories, South Road, Durham DH1 3LE by 1 December 2002. Further details will be available in due course.

DIVISION OF FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY

DFP Awards

Junior Awards

Two awards will be made for the best research projects in forensic psychology. One will be available to those on taught courses, and the

other to those taking research degrees.

Junior Awards are open to UK psychology students or overseas psychology students who have conducted the work submitted in the UK. All research should conform to the BPS ethical guidelines.

Applicants will submit their work in the form of a journal article, maximum 5000 words.

Each award will be a prize of £100 plus an invitation to attend the DFP Annual Conference as a guest of the Division, with all reasonable travelling expenses within the UK met by the Division. Award winners will be invited to give a presentation at the conference.

Senior Award

One award will be given for a distinguished contribution to the field of forensic psychology. A 'distinguished contribution' includes research, professional practice or teaching. The applicant's work will normally be accessible for judgement through his or her written work, i.e. journal articles, book chapters or books.

Any member of the Division may nominate a candidate for the award. In doing so, they should indicate what work of the candidate they consider merits the award. It is the responsibility of the nominator to ensure that the nominee consents

to having his or her work considered for the award.

The award winner will receive lifetime membership of the Division and an invitation to attend the DFP annual conference as a guest of the Division, with all reasonable travelling expenses within the UK met by the Division. They will be invited to give a keynote address at the conference.

Submissions

Submissions will be judged by an award committee appointed by the Division's committee. The award committee will seek expert advice, as necessary.

The award committee need not make an award if submissions are not considered to be deserving of an award.

All submissions should be sent to Rebecca Horn, Psychology Unit, HMP Garth, Ulnes Walton Lane, Leyland, Preston PR26 8NE. The closing date for submissions is 31 December 2002.

DIVISION OF NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held on Friday 15 November 2002, forming part of the Study Day, at approximately 1.30pm at the London Voluntary Resource Centre, Holloway Road, London.

2003 EUROPEAN YEAR OF DISABLED PEOPLE

The Standing Committee for the Promotion of Equal Opportunities is arranging a number of events to celebrate the European Year of Disabled People. We shall be exploring all aspects of psychology, disability and equality:

- Preparing for new and pending legislation regarding disability and its impact on professional practice, research and education in psychology
- Exploring aspects of working as a psychologist with a disability
- Access (or not?) to careers in psychology for people with a disability
- Psychological provision for disabled people
- Exploration of theoretical concepts and current research on the psychology of disability

If you have an interest in any of these areas – or any other aspects – and would like to contribute to a possible special issue of *The Psychologist* or participate in a symposium at the Annual Conference, please contact Felicity Hector. Tel: 0116 252 9507; e-mail: felhec@bps.org.uk. Closing date **1 November**.

Pat Frankish, Chair, SCPEO

MEETING DATES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 14 March 2003

COUNCIL

Saturday 19 October 2002

Saturday 15 February 2003

Saturday 10 May 2003

Saturday 18 October 2003

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Friday 18 October 2002 (pre-Council)

Friday 29 November 2002

Friday 17 January 2003

Friday 14 February 2003 (pre-Council)

Friday 7 March 2003

Friday 9 May 2003 (pre-Council)

Friday 13 June 2003

Friday 5 September 2003

Friday 17 October 2003 (pre-Council)

Friday 28 November 2003

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

Saturday 9 November 2002

Saturday 8 February 2003

Friday 4 April 2003

Friday 6 June 2003

Friday 12 September 2003

Saturday 22 November 2003

RESEARCH BOARD

Friday 25 October 2002 (followed by

Visiting Psychologists Committee)

Saturday 1 February 2003 (followed by Book Award Committee)

Wednesday 12 March 2003 (followed by Spearman Medal Committee)

Friday 27 June 2003 (followed by

Presidents' Award Committee)

Friday 24 October 2003 (followed by

Visiting Psychologists Committee)

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PUBLICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Friday 13 December 2002

Friday 14 March 2003

Friday 13 June 2003

Friday 12 September 2003

Friday 12 December 2003

FELLOWSHIPS COMMITTEE

Friday 4 October 2002

Friday 14 February 2003

Thursday 22 May 2003

Friday 3 October 2003

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Tuesday 22 October 2002

Tuesday 4 March 2003

Tuesday 14 October 2003

GRADUATE QUALIFICATIONS ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

Thursday 14 November 2002

Thursday 23 January 2003

Thursday 6 March 2003

Thursday 17 April 2003

Thursday 12 June 2003

Thursday 11 September 2003

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday 7 November 2002

Thursday 16 January 2003

Thursday 20 February 2003

Thursday 24 April 2003

Thursday 5 June 2003

Thursday 4 September 2003

Thursday 6 November 2003

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE PROMOTION OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Friday 10 January 2003

THE PSYCHOLOGIST POLICY COMMITTEE

Friday 18 October 2002

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

Monday 9 December 2002

Wednesday 5 March 2003

Tuesday 24 June 2003

Thursday 18 September 2003

Wednesday 10 December 2003

FUTURE SOCIETY CONFERENCES, ETC.

London Lectures –

Monday 9 December 2002

Friday 5 December 2003

Annual Conference –

13–15 March 2003

SCOTTISH BRANCH

Call for nominations

Nominations are sought for new members to join the Scottish Branch committee. Elections will take place at the 2003 Annual General Meeting in February (further details will appear in *The Psychologist* in November). The deadline for nominations for election of office bearers and

ordinary membership of the Branch committee is **10 January 2003**.

Further information and nomination forms are available from Kate Skellington (Honorary Secretary), Scottish Executive Central Research Unit, Criminal Justice Branch, St Andrew's House, Regent Road, Edinburgh EH4 0BA. Tel: 0131 244 4046; e-mail: KateJane.Skellington@scotland.gsi.gov.uk.

COMMENT FROM THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Psychologists need to gain informed consent for a professional intervention, which excludes an informal relationship, or social outing. Anything else might confuse or interfere with the rights of the client, the family and the status of the professional intervention and might therefore be seen as 'unethical'.

The venue of intervention needs to be agreed and could include home or school visits, or (for example) desensitisation in the local community. These will need to be professionally justifiable, discussed in supervision, or with line managers or peers, and fully documented in the professional file, which is of course open to scrutiny by the client, public agencies and courts.

Relationships and appointments outside those agreed plans, contravene the code of conduct. If the relationship between the psychologist and client seems likely to change, the case needs to be re-referred before that change. Any self-disclosure needs to be professionally justifiable and would not be solely for the benefit of the psychologist.

From this case we can see that changes in a professional relationship are potentially dangerous, and need to be documented, supervised and agreed with client (and employer). In addition, we can also see the importance of CPD and the need to record it properly.