



**BRITISH NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY
SPRING NEWSLETTER 2014**

BNS Spring Meeting 2014

Wednesday 12th - Thursday 13th March 2014

Clinical Neurosciences Centre, 33 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG

NB Registration opens 12.30

Meeting highlights include

Wednesday 12th March 2014

President's invited lecture by

Prof Jason Mitchell

Harvard University

"The neural basis of social cognition."

Symposium on "**The neuropsychology of social cognition.**"

Thursday 13th March 2014

The Elizabeth Warrington Prize lecture

Dr Chris Bird

University of Sussex

"The stuff that memories are made of"

Symposium on "**Reading and Dyslexia: the current state of the field**"

Annual General Meeting

12.30, NB only full members have voting rights

See attached Meetings Programme for full details of meeting talks and posters.



**BNS Autumn Meeting 2014
(Wednesday 5th - Thursday 6th November 2014)**

Clinical Neurosciences Centre, 33 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG

The meeting theme will be **'Space, Time and Quantity'**, with three interlinked symposia (speakers include Neil Burgess, Kielan Yarrow, Brian Butterworth, Paul Hoffman, Monika Harvey, Seb Crutch, Masud Husain and Bettina Studer)

The **Freda Newcombe lecture** will be given by:
Professor Tim Shallice

(Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati, Trieste, and UCL Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience)

THE CALL FOR ABSTRACTS IS NOW OPEN for
oral presentations related to the meeting topics of space, time and quantity
and poster presentations on any topic relevant to the society

Deadline for abstract submission: **25th July 2014**

Please submit a 250 word abstract structured with the following subheadings: objectives, methods, results and conclusions to Dr Seb Crutch (Meetings Secretary); Email: s.crutch@ucl.ac.uk

We warmly thank those who made a donation to the BNS for their generosity. If you want to learn more about these donations and/or would like to make a donation, please visit our website:



Bursaries

Postgraduate bursaries are available toward the cost of attending the Spring meeting 2014 (up to a maximum of £200 each). An application form can be downloaded from the BNS website www.the-bns.org/Bursaries.htm

Please post the completed form to:

Dr Sarah MacPherson, BNS Treasurer, Department of Psychology, School of Philosophy, Psychology and Language Science, University of Edinburgh, 7 George Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9JZ. Email:

sarah.macpherson@ed.ac.uk



Registration fees and on-line pre-registration

BNS members who paid their subscription fees can now benefit from FREE registration. Simply provide your name at the registration desk at the venue. In order to help us organise the catering, please let us know if you intend to come. To do so, simply fill in the form on the BNS website: <http://www.the-bns.org/registration.html>



BNS 25th Anniversary Meeting

Friday 27th June 2014

The BNS is holding a special summer one-day meeting on Friday 27th June 2014, 10.30am-5.30pm, at St. Hugh's College, University of Oxford, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the British Neuropsychological Society. We have chosen to hold the meeting here for a couple of reasons. First, in WWII, St. Hugh's became a hospital specializing in battlefield head injuries. Second, Freda Newcombe's subsequent work with these patients played an important role in the development of neuropsychology and the college maintains an archive of papers from this period, which will be on display during the meeting.

Please see attached Flyer for further information



2014 BNS Undergraduate Neuropsychology Project Competition

The second round of BNS UG neuropsychology project competition is OPEN!
This competition is designed to promote neuropsychology at all levels of research expertise and to encourage our most promising graduates to remain engaged with neuropsychological research irrespective of their career or vocational choices.

The competition is open to all final year UG students on BPS accredited single or joint honours Psychology programmes whose final year research project has a neuropsychological focus. Applicants are requested to submit their project in pdf format with an accompanying letter of recommendation from their supervisor by email to Dr Samrah Ahmed (s.ahmed.04@cantabgold.net). The deadline for applications is 12th July. The prize includes a framed UG prize award certificate, the opportunity to present the research as a poster at the Society's Autumn meeting for which expenses will be covered, and two years free associate membership (which allows free attendance at our Autumn and March meetings).



Committee News

New Meetings Secretary-elect

The BNS executive committee is very pleased to announce that Dr Paul Hoffman, former recipient of the Elizabeth Warrington Prize, will be taking over as Meetings Secretary from Dr Seb Crutch after the 2014 Autumn meeting.

Other changes in the Executive Committee

Prof Glyn Humphreys steps down as President after the 2014 Spring Meeting, and Professor Sergio Dela Salla commences his 2 year role as President.

During Glyn's time as President, we have seen the introduction of several new initiatives such as the BNS UG Neuropsychology Research Project Competition and a re-vamp of the BNS logo. Activities marking the 2014 25th BNS Anniversary Celebrations (St Hugh's meeting and Interviewing project) have also been set in motion.

Ordinary members Prof Rhiannon Corcoran and Prof Marjan Jahanshahi are also stepping down from the committee. Both have played leading roles in these initiatives (Rhiannon in the UG Neuropsychology Research Project Competition and Marjan in the interviewing project).

We also welcome Dr Samrah Ahmed, Prof Monika Harvey and Dr Hannah Thompson as new ordinary members.



New members

The BNS warmly welcomes Dr Yvonne McCulloch and Dr Patapia Tzotzoli as full members. We are also very pleased to welcome Mr Tor Herman Andreassen as an associate member.



Call for New Members

Applications for new associate and full members are invited for consideration by the BNS committee. Application forms can be downloaded from the BNS website

www.the-bns.org/Membership.htm.

Please email completed application forms to Nicky Edelstyn (contact details provided at on the last page of the newsletter).



Journal of Neuropsychology – 2013 Best Paper Prize

Each year *The Journal of Neuropsychology* (JNP) presents a Best Paper Award. Any article presenting original research is eligible for the prize.

The JNP is pleased to present the 2013 Best Paper Award to Stephen R. Jackson, Amy Parkinson, Valentina Manfred, Guy Millon, Chris Hollis and Georgina M. Jackson for their paper "*Motor excitability is reduced prior to voluntary movements in children and adolescents with Tourette syndrome*".

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1748-6653.2012.02033.x/abstract>

Congratulations to Prof Stephen Jackson and colleagues on their achievement.



Other News and Meetings

Prof Andy Ellis - retirement symposium

Andy Ellis plans to retire in summer 2014, and Prof Matt Lambon Ralph and Prof Andy Young are arranging a symposium at York to mark the occasion.

As Andy is a past-President of BNS, we would like to extend an invitation to this event to all BNS members. Anyone is welcome, for further information please contact Andy (andy.young@york.ac.uk) / Matt (matt.lambon-ralph@manchester.ac.uk).

The 4th UK Paediatric Neuropsychology Symposium: Atypical Developmental Pathways

The symposium will take place at the UCL Institute of Child Health, London between 19-23rd May 2014. This course is being directed by industry leading medical professional including Dr. Peter Rankin & Dr Michelle de Haan who will offer attendees cutting edge developments within this niche field.

Further details can be found at: <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ich/education-ich/events>

The 2014 British Association for Cognitive Neuroscience Annual Scientific Meeting

The British Association for Cognitive Neuroscience Annual Scientific Meeting will be held at the University of York on the 11th and 12th of September 2014.

The programme will consist of a number of cross cutting themes (including attention, working memory, sensorimotor function etc) and the presentation of new research methods and techniques. In addition, there will be a lively social programme!

Abstracts for poster or oral presentations are invited (max. 250 words, containing summaries of the aims, methods, results, conclusions), along with a title and details of the authors and their affiliations. Please also indicate the type of presentation (talk or poster). Talks will be approximately 15 minutes in length (including discussion) and posters will be displayed throughout the meeting.

Proposals for symposia are also invited.

All submissions should be emailed to Martin Edwards (martin.edwards@uclouvain.be).

Symposia deadline: 7th March 2014

Abstract deadline: 30th May 2014

Further details about the meeting can be found at the association's website:

<http://www.bacn.co.uk/meetings.html>, including details of the student bursaries (deadline 30th May 2014), presented towards the bottom of the webpage.



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