

I'M JUST THE JOB!

THOUSANDS of people across South and West Dorset are hoping for new employment prospects.

And we are aiming to give them a hand with our *I'm Just the Job* section. Every Friday we will be featuring people who are ready and willing to get back to work or get their very first job.

■ IF you are interested in speaking with any of the people featured here – or want to be featured here yourself – please call 01305 830987 or email newsdesk@dorsetecho.co.uk

JAMIE KELLY, 19 Looking for: Electrical work

Address: Buxton Road, Weymouth
JAMIE has recently finished his NVQ Level Two qualification in electrics at Weymouth College.



He has spent five years studying the trade as an electrician and would like to be taken on as an apprentice.

Jamie has a basic instruction qualification in which he studied carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, painting and decorating.

He worked in the Wyke Regis Working Men's Club for four years doing bar work.

LANCE BISHOP, 31 Looking for: Contrsuction, maintenance or outdoor work

Address: Garibaldi Row, Weymouth
LANCE was in the Army for 10 years, driving for the Royal Logistics Corp.



He has an NVQ level two in bricklaying, a CSCS card and a health and safety qualification in general site work.

Lance has a class one driving licence, which allows him to drive articulated lorries.

STEVEN CASTLE, 16 Looking for: Cleaning, retail

Address: Pipit Close, Weymouth
STEVEN is due to start a plumbing course at Weymouth College and would like to work full-time and then part-time while studying.



He is awaiting his GCSE results from Wey Valley School and has a Young First Aider qualification.

Steven has some experience of working in property maintenance with his dad's firm.



IT'S IN THE BAG: Dorset County Hospital surgeon Simon Garrett with the Physicool bandages that are being used for patients recovering from knee operations. Below: Kay Russell with her invention



BY HARRY HOGGER
Dorchester Reporter

THE INVENTION of a West Dorset woman who snared a Dragon is now helping patients at Dorset County Hospital.

Kay Russell, from Corscombe, bagged £100,000 investment for her Physicool bandage after appearing on the BBC television show *Dragons' Den*.

Her product impressed businesswoman Deborah Meaden, who provided the investment, and has now gone on to impress medical staff at the Dorchester Hospital.

Physicool bandages, which provide cooling treatment for muscle inflammation, are being used for patients recovering from knee surgery to help reduce the risk of blood clots.

Consultant orthopaedic and trauma surgeon at DCH Simon Garrett was introduced to Physicool bandages through a patient who had been singing the praises of the product.

He said: "We are constantly looking at ways to improve our patient care.

"If we can reduce the pain we can get patients up and moving quicker and they will mobilise

Dragons star wins hospital support with her invention

quicker and leave hospital that much more quickly.

"We have been carrying out some clinical trials using Physicool bandages on patients who'd had knee replacement surgery.

"We found that post-op, after one day patient pain scores were much reduced and in the first 48 hours Physicool made a dramatic difference."

Mr Garrett added that the bandages also offered financial benefits to the hospital, which has suffered economic troubles over recent years.

He said: "Using Physicool also made significant cost savings of about a third, on the part of the hospital in terms of comparable treatment methods.

"Our clinical trials also showed us that Physicool bandages and cooling solution created no problems with wound healing, skin problems or any further complications."

Mrs Russell said: "We are delighted to be supplying NHS

patients at Dorset County Hospital with our Physicool cooling bandages.

"It is a fantastic endorsement for Physicool that our cooling bandages have consistently reduced swelling for patients recovering after knee surgery enabling them to get back on their feet after 24 hours and so reducing further risks of blood clots.

"Physicool has also provided a more flexible post-operative solution, as patients can take Physicool cooling bandages home with them and have found it easy to self administer on a regular basis."

Physicool bandages can be re-used and can be self-applied as an alternative to an ice pack.

The range of products available includes bandages for wrists, knees, ankles, elbows, thighs and shoulders.

They are available at Boots and Lloyds Pharmacy.

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Plans for angling jetty scrapped

PLANS to use £100,000 to build a sea angling jetty in West Bay have been dropped by councillors.

The public can now comment on how the money should be alternatively spent.

This comes after concerns were raised about a suggestion in a report on the West Bay Enhancement Scheme, considered by West Dorset District councillors at an executive committee meeting, that the public

would only be able to consult on the use of some of the money.

The report suggested that part of the ring-fenced money should be used to provide a new harbour store in George Street Boatyard so that the store in Gushes Yard can be vacated and made available for water sports storage.

It said the remaining money should be used for future water-based and amenity projects in West Bay subject to consultation.

However, coun Gillian Summers said: "The whole £100,000 should be open to public consultation – not just part of it.

"Some of it has just been ripped away and that's not fair."

Leader of the council, Robert Gould, said: "I think there's an issue that we need to be grateful to the people of West Bay about the total of this £100,000."

Councillors agreed to note the progress of the scheme.