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AWARDS GALORE: Left, Dave Thomas, Cambridge airport senior fire officer with new firefighters Michael Maxwell and Tony Garner and airport manager Richard Knight; centre, Tom Mason and Hayley Blackwell from Jagex with their NCWE Awards; right, Martin Woodhead and Jenny Wheeler, of Woodhead Publishing, with the 2012 London Book Fair International Achievement Award





MIND POWER: Hypnotherapist Daniel Regan, left, receives his award from Dan Hardingham. Top left, Paula Brain of Spicerhaart Land and New Homes. Top right, Sir John Buchanan



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Sir John steps in to take ARM chair

SIR John Buchanan is to be the new chairman of ARM Holdings.

He is currently chairman of Smith & Nephew, deputy chair of Vodafone, senior independent director of BHP Billiton, and chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce.

Doug Dunn, who retires as chairman at the beginning of May, said: "I am very pleased that John has agreed to succeed me when I retire, as planned, in May, and to know that I will be leaving with a strong and very able board in place.

Warren East, chief executive, said: "John has a wealth of international business experience gained through his roles with a number of leading FTSE100 companies. I would also like to thank Doug on behalf of the board for his excellent contribution.

Sir John said: "I am delighted to be joining ARM as the company builds its impressive global business.

ARM has also announced that Mike Inglis plans to step down from the board next year as he will be setting off to sail round the world. In the meantime he will take on the new role of chief commercial officer and Simon Segars will take on the new role of EVP and general manager of the processor and physical IP divisions from April 2. Cambridge Airport has two

new firefighters, Tony

Garner and Michael

Maxwell, who attended the International Fire Training College at Teesside for six weeks

Spicerhaart Land and New Homes has opened an office in Cambridge to handle its growing operations across the region. The office is headed by regional sales manager **Paula Brain**.

Hypnotherapist Daniel Regan, who works in Ely, Cambridge and Newmarket, has been named Entrepreneur of the Month for Cambridgeshire by Nigel Botterill's Entrepreneur's Circle. He was commended on developing his business, Ely Mind Coaching, and for achieving outstanding results for his clients.

Fiona Neathey is the new area director for Acas in the East of England. She has spent the past six years as head of research and evaluation at Acas headquarters in London. She takes over from David Prince, who becomes a regional director overseeing the East of England, London and the South East.

Woodhead Publishing at Sawston has been won the 2012 London Book Fair International Achievement Award

Martin Woodhead managing director, said: "The Government once advised businesses to 'export or die', which is particularly appropriate for us as exports account for 80% of our sales.

"Thankfully, we are kept alive by our editors and authors creating high quality books on the latest science and technology.

Cyan, the software firm at Swavesey, specialising in chips for metering and lighting in Asia, has appointed John Cronin executive chairman. He joined the board last week and will take over the top job from John Reed in May. Mr Read stepped in when previous chief executive, Kenn Lamb resigned.

Mr Cronin, who has broad experience in smart metering, said: "I am excited to be joining Cyan at a time when loss of electricity revenues is becoming the principal challenge to utilities providers' profits in emerging markets.

"With the explosion in demand from utility companies for remote tamper detection and reporting, the opportunities are huge.

The Indian Government alone is expected to spend \$11bn in reducing line losses over the next five years.

Mr Cronin has been instrumental in several key sector mergers and acquisitions worldwide, raising equity, debt facility and vendor financing funds. He has a track record of creating significant value for shareholders with four big company exits at Azure Solutions, i2, Netsource Europe and Picochip,

totalling over \$600m. His past and present involvements at top level also include Cambridge Networks, Bailey Fisher, Antenova and BT.

Commercial property agents, Dodson Jones, have asked us the make it clear that they have not merged with **Savills**. The two firms are now working together handling property matters for Chesterford Research Park.

Jagex has been crowned overall winner in the National Council for Work Experience (NCWE) awards. The company has been offering undergraduate work experience opportunities since 2006. Its current scheme runs for 12 months and as well as gaining valuable industry experience, students provide vital support for the online game RuneScape, the company's flagship title.

After beating IBM and four other companies in the category for large organisations offering longterm schemes for more than 20 students, Jagex went on to be crowned overall winner of the NCWE Awards 2012. Exeter City Football Club was runner-up.

The NCWE Awards received a record number of entries this year, with around 200 organisations across the UK competing. They recognise businesses from all sectors and sizes that provide exceptional student and graduate internships.