

Hairdressing gives Britain its only gold medal at Skills Olympics

Golden Brit receives award from Mrs T

B RITISH hairdressing once again provided the UK with its only gold medal at the *International Youth Skills Olympics*, held in Birmingham.

Britain's hairdressing record at the Skills Olympics has been nothing short of outstanding and this year's gold to **Nicholas Williams-Cammack**, from **Robert John**, Weston-super-Mare and silver medal to **Nicola Heaven** from Gloucestershire represents the third time in a row that Britain has scored: in 1985, **Stuart Francis** from Portsmouth took a gold medal and two years ago **Gary Taylor** and **Anita Khandke** both took silvers.

Mr Williams-Cammack

received his gold award from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher at a ceremony in Birmingham.

There were a total of 41 gold medals to be competed for, including such subjects as bricklaying, ladies dressmaking, house wiring etc.

And British hairdressing scored a double triumph at the event with its stand being

voted the best competition stand.

"I have to say that I am absolutely delighted at the whole event from a point of view of British Hairdressing," comments **Pat Cloake** of **Barnfield College** who led the British delegation. "In the eyes of the world and other trades we proved our superiority. The event has been an excellent one for the



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status of British hairdressing." ■