



# THE TRANSFORMER

NASA Dryden's IFMP Newsletter

"Change is a challenge and an opportunity, not a threat." Prince Phillip of England

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## Highlights

**Core Financial-** On June 23, 2003 Dryden reached another major milestone in the implementation of IFMP. Core Financial is now "live" at Dryden and all NASA Centers. Congratulations to all on a great job!

**Budget Formulation-** Another step towards the achievement of our "One NASA" goal. Budget Formulation will provide the capability to plan from the bottom-up, through the entire budget cycle to the Congressional budget, with drill down capability to the lowest level of detail. There will be two Budget Formulation releases, the first one in October 2003, and the second scheduled in February 2004.

**WebTADS-** Also coming in October 2003, the web based time and attendance system that is currently implemented at five NASA centers and fulfills the requirement of Sean O'Keefe for every NASA civil servant to enter their own time card.

**Watch for more information regarding Budget Formulation and WebTADS coming soon!**

## BISS Bits

### What is BW?

Business Warehouse (BW) is an agency tool for data warehouse to share information across the Agency. It provides business intelligence reporting and analysis from SAP. BW is similar to Brio. Data will be loaded from SAP to BW on a nightly basis for analytical reporting purposes.

The Dryden team will be conducting BW module specific training to end users starting the week of 7/14 through 8/25. Training will be conducted at the Dryden Learning Center (DLC). Users will be notified via Meeting Maker for the training. For more information on this training please contact the BISS Help Desk at x2477.

The BISS team can assist with a wide range of technical and functional issues. Whether it is a password reset or a how to question, the support staff is ready and willing to assist with and coordinate resolution of calls.

## Training Opportunities

Core Financial is "live" at Dryden! As with any new system implementation, the real learning takes place when you actually DO your work in the "live" system.

We are offering workshops during which you can use the new system for the first time under the guidance and support of our subject matter experts! **You must attend the workshop applicable to your assigned Core Financial roles to receive your Core Financial User ID and Password. Please visit the following site to see which workshops you need to attend:**  
<http://corefinancial.hq.nasa.gov/training/>

As a reminder, you must complete all of the training to which you are assigned to gain access into Core Financial. Please visit the site above to ensure that your training records are complete and up to date.

If you have any questions about training or the workshops, please contact Terrence Montgomery (x 6120), Caron Lee (x 5991), or Angela Ritchey (x7983).

## The Spotlight

**Who's Who in IFMP at DFRC?** Patti Daws, or also known as the IFMP "Team Juggler". Patti is a Resource Analyst in Code CR, and so much more! Patti has been involved with four IFM modules to date. She was the Functional Lead for Travel Manager, the Budget Execution Sub-process team Deputy for Core Financial, and currently holds the titles of Deputy Project Manager for both Budget Formulation and WebTADS.

**Change Agent Spotlight** shines on Brian Barr, representing Code M. Brian is the Technical Lead for Code MO Flight Simulation. Brian has 20+ years with the Federal Government and 12+ at NASA. Brian sees his role as a change agent as an opportunity to interact with people all over the center that he may not have had the chance to. Brian's enthusiasm for IFMP is evident, as Brian is always asking "When do we get to see WebTADS?"

**June "Flying Pig" award winners** are Pamela Askins and Valerie Zellmer

**June "Above & Beyond" award winner** is Erica Trujillo