

NEWS & NOTES

New Appointments

Consultant Community Paediatrician



Dr Sue Brown took up her post as consultant community paediatrician on 1st April. She replaces Dr Bratati Bose who has left to join her husband in a post in Bury.

Sue trained at Cambridge and Guy's and worked in various parts of England before being appointed as consultant paediatrician in Coventry in 1981.

Her post at first was mainly in the hospital but she has always had a special interest in children with disabilities, developmental medicine and child abuse. In recent years Sue has dropped some of her hospital sessions in order to work in Coventry's Child Development Unit, work she has thoroughly enjoyed.

For many years she has taught on the Certificate, Diploma and MSC courses in community paediatrics at the University of Warwick.

Sue is looking forward very much to the challenge of a full time community post. Born in Blackpool, she is pleased to be returning to Lancashire.

Her interests include walking, painting and collecting antiques, and she is delighted to be moving to such a lovely area where she can pursue these interests in her spare time.

Consultant Ophthalmologist



Mr Guy A P Griffith has been appointed as consultant ophthalmologist following the partial retirement of Mr P Bali. He took up his post on 1st April 1993 and is based at Lancaster Moor Hospital with sessions at Morecambe and Kendal.

Guy Griffith was born in Sheffield and is the fourth generation of the family to go into medicine. His father is a retired general practitioner and his mother was a radiographer.

He was educated at Mount St. Mary's College, near Sheffield, before entering medical school at the University of Sheffield in 1974 and graduating in 1979. Elective periods spent in general practice convinced him that this was not his calling. He did pre-registration posts in Rotherham and then proceeded to SHO posts in general surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, urology, accident and emergency and neurosurgery before becoming SHO in ophthalmology in Norwich, and has never looked back since. Subsequent ophthalmology training was completed in Manchester during which time he was also junior doctors' mess president.

He aims to provide a general ophthalmology service to Lancaster, Morecambe and Kendal and hopes that his appointment will allow increased teaching and communication within and outside the department to enhance its good reputation within the region.

Guy married Jennifer in 1979 and they have a 9 year old daughter and an 8 year old son. Guy enjoys a game of bridge, is currently attempting to improve his rather limited skills on the 'cello and once built a kit car.

Deputy Lieutenant of Cumbria



Chairman of Lancaster Acute Hospitals NHS Trust, Geoffrey Thompson, is appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Cumbria.

Mr Thompson is member of the Council and the Board of the NHS Trust Federation.

Mr Thompson is a former director of several public companies and has also served on the Northern and North West Industrial Development Boards

and North West Water Authority. He is Honorary Treasurer of Lancaster University and serves on the University's Court and Council.

He is a founder trustee of the Dowager Lady Shuttleworth and a former chairman of the Francis Scott Charitable Trust. He was awarded the OBE in 1983.

Acute Trust General Practitioner Liaison Group

The group has met three times since the inaugural meeting in January. The general practitioner membership of the group has been agreed by the LMC as Dr A J Williams, Dr R H Burr, Dr N Eckersley, Dr G Herd and Dr K Lowson with Mr W D Noblett from the FHSA in attendance.

Items discussed have been: improving the accuracy of A & E reports as well as changing the colour of the paper to blue, an integrated transport system for the transportation of pathology specimens and other correspondence from general practitioner surgeries, prevention of the duplication of investigations for patients referred for Out Patient consultation, the possibility of using fax machines for communicating discharge letters to general practitioners, the role of the Immunology Out Patient Service and identifying 'good practice' in the use of the Radiology Department by general practitioners. Currently meetings are being arranged between groups of general practitioners and the gynaecologists, urologists and ophthalmologists, to discuss referral criteria, in an attempt to help with the long waiting lists that exist in these specialities.

Westmorland Hospitals NHS Trust

The Chairman and five Non-Executive Directors have been appointed to the Westmorland Hospitals NHS Trust.

The Chairman is Mr Peter Reay and the five Non-Executive Directors are Mrs Shirley Evans, Mr David Hawkes, Mrs Claire Hensman, Mr Morten Lund and Mr George Turnbull.

The six people have been appointed by the Health Secretary and the Northern Regional Health Authority for the experience and skills which they can bring to the NHS Trust.

Peter Reay, who lives in Levens, has been the only Cumbria-based non-executive member of the Northern Regional Health Authority. He is a former Group Personnel Director of Cadbury Schweppes PLC and has a long-standing involvement in national training initiatives, particularly in youth training and management development. He is a member of the National Council for Vocational Qualifications and acted as its Chief Executive in 1991.

Shirley Evans who lives in Cark-in-Cartmel, Grange-over-Sands is a practising solicitor with Ian MacI Livingston of Grange, specialising in the commercial legal field. She is currently Acting Chairman and Director of Training of Kendal Junior Chamber.

David Hawkes who lives in Underbarrow is a Business Consultant and was until recently the Chairman of K Shoes Ltd and a Director of C & J Clark Ltd.

Claire Hensman who lives in Crosthwaite was formerly a non-executive member of South Cumbria Health Authority. She is very active in voluntary work and has recently retired as Chairman of the Bendrigg Trust, a short stay residential centre for disabled and disadvantaged young people. She is currently a member of the South Lakeland Carers' Association.

Morten Lund is a Chartered Accountant and Management Consultant and lives in Kendal. He was formerly Chief Accountant For Retail Operation of K Shoes and Vice President and Company Secretary of an international contracting company. He is currently Chairman of Governors of the Brewery Arts Centre Trust.

George Turnbull who lives in Silverdale is a recently retired local consultant gynaecologist with a long association with Helme Chase Maternity Hospital. He is currently president of the Westmorland branch of Birthright which is the research arm of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

Letter to the Editor

Sir, – Since the original publication of the Lancaster and Westmorland Medical Journal in January, 1990, there have been 10 editions and during this time we have been introduced, via the "News and Notes" section, to 14 new members of the consultant and community health ranks. While recognising that this group has provided you with the vast majority of the articles for the journal, I consider that this represents a somewhat polarised view of the medical personnel taking up permanent posts in the area. Following this communication, perhaps you would consider approaching those newly-appointed partners in general practice regarding their biographical details for publication in future editions. I feel this would serve to introduce them also to their peers and provide a wider appreciation of the changes in the medical fraternity within the locality.

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Doctor Higton's point is well taken. It would be valuable to publish biographical details of newly appointed partners in general practice. In future editions we will endeavour to do this and I would ask senior partners to notify when a new partner is appointed to their practice. **Editor.**

Answer to Quiz on page 293

1. A coronal CT scan of the pituitary fossa with contrast enhancement.
2. There is a large mass arising in the pituitary fossa extending laterally. It measures 1.5 cm in diameter and is a functioning prolactin adenoma. Such tumours commonly present before they reach this size. Of they measure less than 1 cm diameter, they are classified as microadenomas.
3. A = Sphenoid sinus.
B = Cavernous sinus. The mass has occupied the cavernous sinus on the other side.
C = The dorsum sellae which is partly eroded by the mass.
D = The pituitary adenoma.

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