

EDITORIAL

The journal is now four years old and the founding editor, Dr. Jim Morris, has moved on. It is a daunting task to succeed Jim who has been an accomplished editor. He had the foresight to see that a local postgraduate journal was needed, the confidence to get it started and the commitment to make it a success. The journal has been true to the aims stated in the frontispiece. It has become an important part of local postgraduate education. I congratulate Jim on this achievement and thank him for a valuable contribution to the medical life of the readers.

In conversation, Jim has acknowledged the imbalance between the number of articles written

by hospital staff and general practitioners. This is disappointing. There are many developments in general practice which deserve a wider audience and I am not referring just to funding or the N.H.S. reforms. Hospital staff have much to learn about modern general practice. For this reason, Dr. David Knapper, Postgraduate Tutor in General Practice, has joined the editorial board. His job will be to inform the journal about local interests and research and assist in the commissioning of articles. As ever, unsolicited articles from all quarters are always welcome.

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