

Dental News

November/December/January 2007/2008

Liz Hooper Celebrates 40 years service

Liz Hooper celebrated 40 years service in the Dental Hospital with a celebratory surprise lunch with friends and colleagues from past and present.

Liz commenced as a Trainee Dental Nurse in 1967 and qualified in 1969 – she was awarded 1st prize for the Hospital Certificate so was a shining star even at that early stage. On completing her qualification she gained a post as Trained DN and within a year (definitely an early achiever!) she went on to secure the position of Senior Dental Nurse (SDN) on Periodontology. The Perio clinic has seen many staff changes over the years but the one true constant has been Liz, ensuring the clinic is running efficiently for patients and staff alike. Here she has remained for the last 37 years, running the clinic with her inimitable brand of order and leadership. She took the opportunity to develop her skills further and ensure continuity for the DN team with the post of Acting DN Manager in December 1996 for 3 months.

Liz has always been involved in Dental Nurse Training in some guise – indeed she runs her own evening course for DNs employed in General Dental Practice and has done so since 1975. She has been an examiner on the National Examining Board for Dental Nurses since 1981 and is well respected in the dental community for her work. She became a SDN/ Tutor in 1995 at the Dental Hospital and in that time has shared her wealth of knowledge and experience with trainees throughout many training programmes. She continues to be an invaluable asset to the trainees as many will testify.

Liz has dedicated her working life to Dental Nursing and the training of DNs and is held in

very high esteem for her wisdom. She has not only completed 40 years of service – she has not had one day of sickness in all these years – a truly remarkable achievement.



Professor Jonathan Shepherd

Many congratulations on obtaining your CBE!! Professor Shepherd is grateful for all the kind comments that he has received regarding his CBE. It's much down to the contributions of many research and service colleagues. He's very proud of his home base in dentistry.

Dr Chris Lynch

Dr Chris Lynch, Senior Lecturer/ Consultant in Restorative Dentistry, was awarded a PhD on November 15. The title of his PhD thesis was "A quantitative analysis of Hunter-Schreger Band patterns in human enamel". The project focussed on microstructural arrangements within enamel and its significance for clinical entities such as enamel bonding, tooth wear, and abfraction"

Dr Bruce Hunter



Dr Hunter retired on the 31st December 2007 after 25 years service in the University Dental Hospital. A presentation and buffet was held to mark his retirement on Monday 17th December at 12.00 in the Large Lecture Theatre and Dental Foyer.

Mr Philip Barry

Mr Philip Barry, AGM left UDH on 30th November to take up the position of Directorate Manager in the Child Health Directorate. A leaving presentation and buffet was held on 30th November.

Dr Rebecca Playle

Rebecca has started a 2 day a week secondment with the South East Wales Trials Unit (SEWTU). She will be involved in designing and managing various studies as well as learning all about GCP (Good Clinical Practice) for clinical trials. The Unit is based on the 7th floor of Neuadd Meirionnydd and is part of the Dept of Primary Care and Public Health.

Nathalie Chamary

Congratulation to Nathalie who entered her final year project in the undergraduate cross-infection category and won First Prize Premiere Symposium Award. Here is a link to the basis of this award

http://www.dentistry.co.uk/news/news_detail.php/902/Premier-Symposium-review.

Martin Langley

Many congratulations on 20 years service for the School on 4 January 2008.

Dinah Channing

Dinah Channing, Research Officer, Dental Public Health is leaving the Unit on 25th January 2008 to take up post of Oral Health Educator for Rhondda Cynon Taff LHB.

Iain Brennan

Iain Brennan successfully completed his PhD late last year on weapons related violence.

Isabelle Cunningham

Isabelle Cunningham, DCP TEC achieved her Masters with distinction in July 2007.

Rhian Williams

Congratulations to Rhian for collecting her NVQ certificate on 7 December 2007 from Qualtech for her NVQ Level 3 in Administration.

Professor Mike Lewis

Professor Mike Lewis has been appointed as Dean of the Dental Faculty and Vice President (Dental) of the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons in Glasgow for a period of 3 years from November 2007.

Dr Shelagh Thompson

Shelagh was made President of the British Society of Disability and Oral Health at the BSDH meeting in December for 2008. This is exciting news as this is the year that the General Dental Council will ratify the new specialty of Special Care Dentistry.

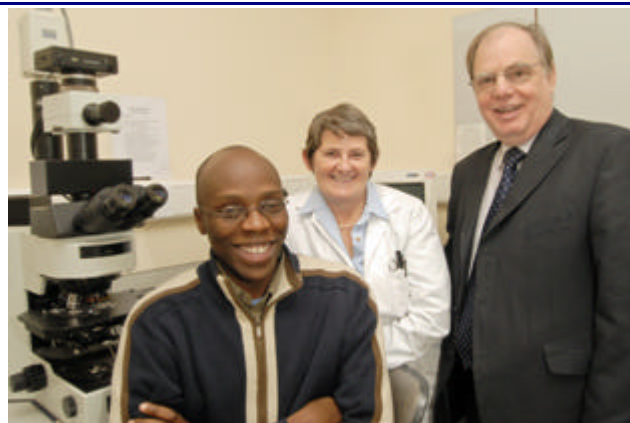
NHS Wales – Africa links in the Dental Hospital and School

Developing an oral pathology service in Uganda.

The Dental Hospital and School recently played host to Dr Moses Isyagi from the Dental Department, Makerere University, Kampala. Funded under the First Minister's NHS Wales - Africa Links programme, Dr Isyagi's sabbatical in Cardiff was designed to provide experience in how the Trust's oral pathology service functions. Access to the Dental School's oral pathology archive provided an insight into the histological manifestation of less commonly encountered oral diseases.

This visit continues the link established between the Dental Hospital and School and Makerere University in 2004. At that time the need for development of oral pathology services in Uganda was identified and the NHS Wales – Africa Links programme has facilitated this objective.

Pictured (L to R), Dr Moses Isyagi, Kathy Allsopp, Senior Chartered Biomedical Scientist and Mr John Potts, Senior Lecturer and Hon. Consultant in Oral Pathology.



EUROPE AND ASIA THE SOUTH WALES CONTINENTAL CONNECTION



Professor Richard Oliver recently visited the Dental Faculty of Yeditepe University in Istanbul in January as part of an ADEE site visit. He is pictured here with the visiting team. A full report and other photos are available from the School Admin Office, Room 126. 1st Floor.

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you very much to Dental Nurses in St Davids, Exam and Emergency and Orthodontics for their kindness in providing a number of shoes boxes for Operation Christmas Child. These boxes full of presents, will be distributed to children in 'poorer' countries to enjoy. Thank you

Sian Evans
(Ortho)

COLD SORES ????

Have you suffered with four or more cold sores in the last twelve months? If so, volunteers are needed to take part in a clinical trial being run here at the Dental Hospital.

Please contact Rita Walker on 02920 742439

Goodbye and Good Luck!!!



Janice (Jan) O'Connor left Adult Dental Health after working in the Division for the past 6 years within the School Dentistry and, indeed, the previous 10 years with the Trust as a Medical Secretary. Jan will be truly missed by us all and we wish her well in her new post in Oncology within Child Health, UHW. Jan took up her new post as Medical Secretary on the 19th November 2007.

Also Leaving.....

Kate Stewart left the School on 19 December 2007 to take up a position of Research Fellow at the University of Bristol. Good luck Kate.

Lynne Barry, Eve Baxter, June Davies, Michele Harding, Caroline Krip, Teresa Loyn, Sue Parry, Heather Taylor, Lindsay Thompson also all left the School at the end of December 2007. We wish them all good luck with new careers and best wishes for the future.

A thank you message from Eve Baxter - I would just like to thank all my colleagues for 27 happy years in the old Conservative Dentistry Department and after the merge the Department of Adult Dental Health. Have seen quite a lot of changes some good some not so good.

Mostly my time has been very happy. I would like to send my sincere thanks to all my good friends throughout the School and Trust and will look back and remember all the good times I have had. I wish all the present students good luck in their chosen career.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Eve Baxter
Department of Adult Dental Health

Professor Tony Cryer will retire on 30th June 2008. Tony will lead the Institutional Review process in 2008, and remains fully committed to that important programme as well as the management of the Registry & Student Support Directorate.

New Electronic Books for Dentistry

The following titles have now been added to our e-book collection. They are available via the Voyager Library Catalogue following the directions given below:

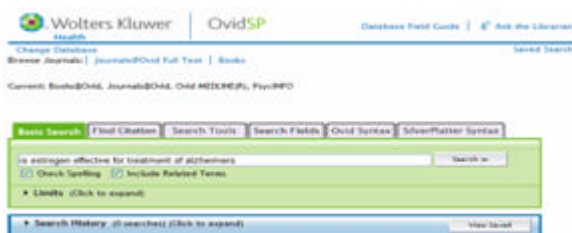
Kidd, E.A.	Essentials of dental caries 3 rd edition.
Smeeton, N.C.	Dental statistics made easy.
Tutt, C.	Small animal dentistry.
Pitt Ford, T.R.	Endodontics: problem solving in clinical practice.
Duggal, M.S.	Restorative techniques in Paediatric Dentistry.

Duckworth, R.M.	Teeth and their environment
Newsome, P.	Profitable dental practice
Patel, M.	Dental Public Health: a primer
Feest, K.	Today's students, tomorrow's doctors
Howe, L.C.	Implants in clinical dentistry
Sweet, J.	Effective learning and teaching in medical, dental and veterinary education
Qualtrough, A.J.E.	Principles of operative dentistry
Wright, E.	Manual of temporomandibular disorders
Devlin, H.	Operative dentistry

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- Go to the Voyager Library Catalogue (<http://library.cf.uk>)
- Choose Search the Catalogue
- Enter the title you need in the Search Box
- From the Results page click on the title you require
- Click on the internet link

Launch of OvidSP – our access to the Medline database



Ovid have introduced a new interface, OvidSP which can be used to access the Medline Database, alongside the original Ovid until 4 February 2008 when the original will be closed down.

The new version can be accessed by going to the Cardiff University Home Page, clicking on Library Services and then under 'What do you want to do today?' clicking on Search Databases. Choose Medline via Ovid from the list of databases and then in the existing Ovid service, click on "Try OvidSP!" at the top of the database menu.

The new OvidSP will contain all the regular features of original Ovid (now called Ovid Syntax) but also introduces a new Basic Search which uses natural language processing and enables the input of full search questions.

Ovid SP also offers RSS feeds delivering AutoAlerts, eTOC alerts and other search results directly to users.

Ovid SP will be used in undergraduate training sessions from January and drop-in workshops are being arranged. Please contact Jan in the Library if you have any queries about the new OvidSP or would like to book a training session.

MOUNTAIN ASH

Planning of the new Primary Dental Care Unit at Mountain Ash is progressing fast. Confirmation of funding has been received from Ann Lloyd, Head of Department for Health & Social Services, Chief Executive, NHS Wales. Meetings with architects are being held monthly, as is our own Project Team. Meetings of the North Glamorgan Project Team are now held weekly in advance of the submission of the full business case to the Welsh Assembly Government by the middle of March. The projected time frame is that building will start in August of this year, with completion early 2011, followed by a period of commissioning and occupation in June of 2011.