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At the British Library **Dr Stephen Bury** was appointed Head of European and American Collections at the end of January. Stephen's appointment is another piece in the jigsaw of second tier restructuring at the BL. There are now two posts remaining to be filled at this level, those of Head of Collection, Acquisition and Description, and Head of British Collections. There is also news of departures from the Library. **Dr Herbert Van de Sompel**, who was appointed Director of e-Strategy & Programmes in September, leaves the Library in February. Herbert has decided that he would be better able to contribute to the digital library world in a more research-centred environment. The Library will now review the requirements of the post. Also former President of the Library Association **Graham Cornish**, Director of the IFLA UAP Programme (Universal Availability of Publications) and British Library Copyright Officer, left the Library at the end of December. Graham is pursuing his professional interests independently and will continue to take an active interest in copyright, a field he has worked in for eighteen years.

There have been a number of changes in UK Government departments. At the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), **Andrea Bradley** has been promoted to the post of Senior Librarian, Finance and Purchasing, Library and Information Services. Andrea was previously Head, Purchasing Section, Library & Information Services. **Caroline Branney** is now Business Development Librarian, a newly created post. Caroline previously headed up the Americas Enquiry Information Team in the Library and Information Services. **Joy Herring**, formerly Chief Librarian, has moved out of Library and Information Services and is now Head Strategic Planning Branch. **Stephen Latham** is the new Head of Library and Information Services, having formerly been Senior Librarian, Finance at the FCO.

At HM Treasury the Information Management and Library Services have recently merged to form a new Information Gateway service. **Phillip Mind** is Head of Information Gateway, having previously been Head of the Records Section in Information Management at the Treasury.

At the Ministry of Defence, **Patrick Ryan** has been appointed Assistant Director Information and Library Service and Chief Librarian and will take up his post in due course. Patrick is currently Chief Librarian at the Department for Education and Skills. There are a large number of new appointments due to be announced shortly at the MOD Whitehall library.

Mary Guy, from the Whitehall Library and Information Centre, is the new College Librarian at RAF Cranwell. Mary replaces **Jean Buckberry**, who retired after more than 30 years as College Librarian and Archivist.

Paul Chandler, Assistant Librarian at the Royal College of Defence Studies, took over responsibility for periodicals in September. Paul joined the College at the end of 2000 having previously been at the VLA (Veterinary Laboratories Agency) in Weybridge.

In April last year, **Heather Cholerton** was promoted to the post of Manager of the Environment and Energy Helpline, based at AEA Technology Harwell. The Helpline (0800 585 794) offers

help and advice to UK industry on environmental, waste minimisation and energy efficiency matters. For the previous five years, Heather managed the Waste Management Information Bureau at Culham. The bureau was closed last March.

There is sad news from the BBSRC (Biotechnology and Biological Research Councils) of the death on the 23rd October of **Helen Taylor** after a long illness. Helen had been Assistant Librarian at Long Ashton Research Station for many years, where she ran interlibrary loans.

There have been a number of changes at the Environment Agency information service. **Rebecca Cook** was appointed Team Leader in the Acquisitions department at the end of October, replacing **Rebecca Cantwell**, formerly Serials Librarian, who left last summer. Rebecca Cook was previously Serials Librarian at the Office of National Statistics. **Anna Pursglove** and **Jon Carey** complete the team. Last November **Gary Morter** left and joined the Planning Inspectorate based in Bristol.

Ted Goodliffe, Stock and Administration Manager with the Greater London Authority's Research Library takes early retirement this March. After nearly 28 years in local government with the GLA, the London Research Centre, the London Residuary Body, and the Greater London Council, Ted has received an offer he can not refuse as a result of an

internal re-organisation. Although less directly involved with serials administration over the last few years, Ted has fond memories of his time spent dealing with Claude Gill, Blackwells, and latterly Swets and of characters such as the legendary Irene Veasey, and also of Albert Prior in the early days of Swets UK. Having recently undergone the rigours of selecting a serials agent under EU procurement regulations, Ted has wisely decided that this is the time to make his exit.

In the academic library sector, **Geoff McMullen** retired as CEO of UKERNA at the end of December, though he will continue as Chairman of the organisation. UKERNA is responsible for the development and maintenance of JANET, the UK academic and research network. Geoff joined UKERNA as CEO in November 1997. The new CEO is **Robin Arak** who was previously Head of Information Services at the University of Brighton, responsible for computing, media and library service provision.

At Bournemouth University in mid-December, **Stella Welsh** took up the post of Senior Library Assistant Acquisitions, moving from Reader Services. **Jessie Stevenson** who was previously responsible for book acquisitions and electronic subscriptions, retired in December after 18 years at the library.

In January, **Lydia Crick** joined Easton College near Norwich as College Librarian.

For the past three and a half years, Lydia was Health Information and Library Services Manager with North West Anglia Health Care Trust in Doddington near Cambridge. Lydia is the first professional librarian to be appointed at Easton and is involved in setting up a new library within an academic block due for completion in Easter 2003. **Gordon Reynolds**, Science Lecturer, previously ran the library at Easton and was well known in agricultural librarianship circles through ALLCU (the Association of Librarians in Land-Based Colleges and Universities); he retired a few years ago.

At the University of Durham **Marilyn Hird** retired at Christmas after being on the library staff since 1970. Marilyn fulfilled a variety of roles in the library, most recently within the Information Services Team where she developed database provision within the library. **Jackie Knowles** has joined the library in February as Electronic Resources Librarian. Jackie was previously at the University of Wales in Aberystwyth.

At the British Library of Political and Economic Science at the London School of Economics, **Sue Mehrer** and **Frances Shipsey** have both been Serials Librarian in a job-share since November. Sue has worked at the LSE Library since 1998 in the Information Services Division and continues to spend half of her week in that role. Frances returned from maternity leave in September.

At the University of London, **Erika Gwynnett** is Information Resources Manager overseeing both the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and the Latin American Studies libraries. Erika was formerly Technical Services Librarian at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. **Alan Biggins** was Librarian at the Institute of Latin American Studies library and is now Latin American Bibliographer. **Michelle Homden** is now Periodicals Librarian for the Institute of Latin American Studies, having previously worked at the Tate Library. Valerie Cooper, who was Senior Library Assistant in Technical Services, left the library in May.

At the Institute of Historical Research **Sandra Gilkes** is the new Senior Library Assistant, responsible for serials. Sandra replaces **Shirley Warner**.

At the London Institute, **Jessica Crilly** and **Alice Wenban-Smith** were jointly appointed to the new post of Electronic Resources Manager in February. Jessica, formerly at the College of Fashion, and Alice, previously Systems Librarian at London College of Printing, will job share and be based at the Central St Martin's site. At the London College of Printing at Elephant and Castle, **Matthew Kerr** left in September. The post has been re-graded and **Debbie Roland** has been appointed Periodicals Manager. **Catriona Cannon** has been Technical Services Manager at the London College of Printing since April last year. Catriona was previously

Librarian at the National Gallery of Ireland in Dublin.

At the University of Oxford last August, Systems and Electronic Resource Services (SERS) was set up to provide university-wide access to electronic resources, both remote and from the libraries' own collections, and to provide systems support for library house-keeping within the university sector. The new division amalgamates the university's Libraries Automation Service (LAS), Bodleian Systems, and the Oxford Digital Library. It is headed by **Dave Price**, who formerly headed Bodleian Systems. **Everard Robinson**, who was Head of LAS, took early retirement last summer. The Oxford Digital Library, which is digitising Oxford collections, is headed by **Norbert Lossau**. And, completing the SERS picture, **Frances Boyle**, Electronic Resource Co-ordinator administers and co-ordinates the purchase of electronic resources, including electronic journals, on a university-wide basis.

The Said Business School moved into its spectacular new building next to Oxford railway station last August. The library has a central position and the whole building feels full of space and light. **Fiona Richardson** was confirmed in post as Information Services Manager in August. **Kirsty Arnell**, who has been looking after subscriptions for the past year will be handing responsibility for them over to

Kerry Weller who joined the team in December. Kirsty will be concentrating on copyright clearance for course packs. Also new to the library is **Andrew Fleming** who was appointed in November, having completed his professional qualifications at Loughborough University. Last summer, **Faith Prichard** left the library to join Campsfield House Refugee Centre near Kidlington, where she is Education Co-ordinator.

At Plymouth University **Christine Watson** took up a new post as Library Manager at the main campus at the beginning of December. Christine was Learning Resources Manager at the Dacorum Campus of West Herts College where **Jenny Maidment** has taken over responsibility for periodicals. Jenny is Learning Resources Manager at the Leggatts Campus of West Herts College.

In the Health library sector the winds of change blow noticeably. Due to the re-engineering (as such processes are now called) of the Regional Library Services in conjunction with the new Work Place Development Confederations, it is likely that we shall see significant changes in personnel in the coming year. The new structure will formally start on 1st April and will take over deanery funding which is currently split into MADEL (funding for junior doctors), NMET (funding for non medical training, i.e. nurses and professionals allied to medicine), and SIFT (undergraduate training money).

In the South Thames area, **Caroline Sawers** is to take early retirement in March. Caroline is Acting Head of the Regional Library and Information Unit for STILS (South Thames Library and Information Service). Caroline has been a medical librarian in the region for more than 20 years.

In January, **Jane Wilson** was appointed e-Journals Project Officer for the South Thames Regional Area and is based at Pembury Hospital. Jane's brief is to consolidate e-journal access via the South Thames Library Internet site and to deliver e-journals to hospital libraries and remote users within the region. Jane previously worked in e-journal distribution at various merchant banks in the City.

At East Grinstead, **Tricia Rey** is now Clinical Librarian at Queen Victoria Hospital replacing **Coral Beddard** who retired from there early in 2001. **Carla Wearing** is now Library and Information Manager at Medway Maritime Hospital in Gillingham. Carla was previously Nursing Librarian at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital in Canterbury. **Rhiannon Cox**, who was previously now Library and Information Manager at Medway Maritime, is now Knowledge Services Manager East Kent Hospitals, responsible for medical libraries in Ashford, Canterbury, Dover and Thanet.

In November, **Richard Beard** was appointed Evidence Based Knowledge Manager Librarian

at Sussex Postgraduate Centre in Brighton having qualified as a librarian in July. Richard replaced **Peter Fairbrother**, who moved to a job in Edinburgh in the mental health field.

In August last year, **Sue Brain** was appointed as Librarian for NHS Direct, Hampshire and Isle of Wight, with a remit to set up a library in new premises at Hedge End in Southampton. Sue is part of the Health Information Team, and her centre is one of 22 NHS Direct centres in England and Wales. Sue had been Librarian for the Help for Health Trust in Winchester for the previous year.

Maureen Forrest has taken early retirement and leaves the medical library scene at the end of March. Maureen moved to Oxford to set up the Regional Library Co-operation Scheme in 1969 and since 1980 has been Cairns Librarian. Maureen was particularly associated with the MIWP (Medical Information Working Party) on which she served from its inception in 1964 until last year. She started off as the Secretary of the committee, before becoming its Chairman. Maureen was closely involved with the organisation of the Medical Health and Welfare Library Group, as it was then called, and most recently was part of the Social Committee for the ICML Conference held in London in 2000.

In November **Jane Parry** moved from the Cairns Library at the John Radcliffe Hospital to take up the post of Librarian at

Powys Health Care NHS Trust. Jane was Library Resources Manager at the Cairns for over three years.

Rochelle Clarkson, Library and Information Services Manager at Gillette Research in Reading, returned from maternity leave in September, the better for the arrival of a most engaging and amiable Edward on 8th May last year.

Publishers and subscription agents too report a number of changes. **Hellen Knudsen** joined EBSCO in November as Regional Sales Manager for the South of England, handling Database and Electronic Services. Hellen's background is in teaching and she replaces **Lorraine Ellery** who joined Swets Blackwell in January. **Paru Patel** joined as an Inside Sales Representative for Database and Electronic Services in January, having previously worked in Marconi's Information Services.

At Extenza, the publishing services arm of Royal Swets & Zeitlinger, **Marcel Koppes** has been appointed Divisional Sales Manager. **John Normansell** has joined Extenza e-Publishing Services as Production Manager. He was previously Production & Design Manager at Helicon.

Stewart Christie has joined Everetts as Book Department Manager. Stewart was formerly Internet production manager at Waterstones.

Keith Renwick has left Everetts to pursue new developments, including

consultancy activities related to his experience in the academic library and commercial sectors. Formerly Head of Technical Services at UMIST, Keith joined Everetts in October 1998 as UK Sales Manager in order to develop their UK library business. Keith was closely involved in the UK launch of TDNet at Online 2000 [+44 (0) 161-865 1946; keith.renwick@cwcom.net].

Due to an organisational restructure at Gale Group, where a regional approach is to replace the current global one, **Peter Reardon's** position as Director of Global Consortia Sales became redundant and Peter left at the end of December. While seeking employment within the information industry Peter is available for freelance consultancy to commercial publishers and to the library sector [reardon@iacuk.demon.co.uk; +44 (0) 1732 87158 or (0) 7774 690313].

In November 2001 **Hannah Walker** joined Ovid Technologies as Manager of Publisher Relations for UK and Europe, primarily responsible for content licensing agreements with publishers in these regions. Hannah is based at Ovid's offices in Chiswick. Previously Hannah was Account Manager for Content Syndication at YourNews UK, a post she took following three years in Publisher Relations at Swets Blackwell. Also in November, **Rod Cowley** joined Ovid Technologies, moving from HCN. Rod is Regional Sales Manager working in the

Academic and Medical sectors.

RoweCom's subscription services world-wide have been re-branded as 'divine Information Services'. The UK operation headquartered in Oxford continues as before under the management of **Richard Hodson**. Where divine's past and future acquisitions operate from established offices in the UK, these will work in partnership to offer customers a suite of products ranging from web content management to customised portal solutions. Joining RoweCom most recently on the divine roster is the well-known business search engine Northern Light.

Rachel Saunders recently joined divine Information Services as Sales Executive for Legal and Financial accounts and will work primarily in London in liaison with colleagues from other branches of divine who promote services to institutions in 'the City'. Rachel has been an independent consultant working on behalf of the Institute of Directors, where she helped to develop and market their e-learning courses and Director Forums.

Jane Pennington, who was International Marketing Manager from 1993 to 2000, for the AAAS and Science magazine at Science International in Cambridge, UK, has set up her own marketing consultancy business in Cambridge, providing services for both academic publishers and life science industry. Jane

developed and managed the International membership and subscription marketing side of their business for both Science and Science Online, focusing on increasing traditional print revenues, online developments, new revenue stream generation and site licence negotiations with both consortia and major pharmaceutical companies [+44 (0) 1223 870684; jpennington@ccjp1.freeserve.co.uk].

At Swets Blackwell, **Lorraine Ellery** joined in January as Electronic Access Sales Specialist, strengthening the electronic solutions side of the business. Lorraine had been Regional Sales Manager UK and Ireland for three years at EBSCO Publishing.

At the end of January, **Caroline Vogelzang** was appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Swets Test International, a division of Royal Swets & Zeitlinger which publishes psychological tests for human resources purposes. Caroline joins Swets from Wolters Kluwer Nederland, where she held the position of Director of the Internet Centre. Prior to that she was Vice President of Commercial Services within Kluwer Academic publishers from 1998 to 2001.

At Taylor and Francis in October, **Jon Connibear** was appointed Executive Director, replacing **Stephen Neal** who retired at the end of the month. Jon was previously Director at Blackwell Science (now Blackwell Publishing).