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Toby Bainton, SCONUL's Secretary for the past 15 years, is due to retire at the end of September. Toby



was University Librarian at Reading from 1987 to 1995 when he became Secretary to what was then the Standing Conference of National and University Libraries. Toby has seen significant growth in the society from some 130 to 150 members following a merger with the Higher Education Colleges Learning Resources Group, to form the Society of College, National and University Libraries in 2001. The digital information revolution has brought unprecedented change to the sector during Toby's time at SCONUL, not only in service delivery but also in the surrounding legal framework, which has been one of his special interests.



Phil Sykes, University Librarian at Liverpool University since 2004, was



elected Chair of the RLUK Board with effect from 1 July 2010. RLUK (formerly CURL) is a consortium of 29 of the largest research organizations in the UK and Ireland, including the UK's three national libraries.

Mark Brown, University Librarian at the University of Southampton, served as the RLUK Chair since 2006 and remains on the RLUK Board until April 2011. Mark has helped steer the consortium's transition from CURL to RLUK.

At the Home Office, **Martin Gilbert**, has



taken early retirement after working for over 40 years in libraries. Martin started working in government libraries in 1978, first with FCO/ODA before moving to the Department of Health and Social Security in the mid 80s. Martin moved to the Home Office in 2002 where he ran the Prison Service Library before moving to the main library as Acquisitions Librarian.



Bairbre McCann retired in May after nine years as Library Assistant Periodicals at Blanchardstown Institute of Technology. Bairbre previously worked in the Maynooth College library and joined Blanchardstown a year after the Institute was founded.

Geraldine McFeeley

took (very) early retirement from Dublin City University (DCU)



Library at the end of April this year. Geraldine had worked in DCU for 20 years, starting in 1990, and had been head of Collection Management Services since 2001. She was a member of the IReL Steering Group from the Irish Research eLibrary's inception in 2004/2005.

At the beginning of April, **Wilson Smith** took early retirement from Edinburgh College of Art after 34 years with the library. Wilson joined the college as Art and Design Subject Librarian in 1976 and became Principal Librarian in 1999. For the past couple of years, Wilson had served on the steering group of SHEDL – the Scottish Higher Education Digital Library – which aims to

create a common research information environment for Scotland by providing online access to research journals from major publishers across the whole of Scottish HE.

Debbi Boden took up the post of Director of Library Services at Glasgow Caledonian University in March. For the previous three years, Debbi was Deputy Director of Information and Learning Services at the University of Worcester, prior to which she was a Faculty Team Leader at Imperial College. Debbi is Chair of CILIP's Information Literacy Group and a prime mover in LILAC (Librarians' Information Literacy Annual Conference) which is now in its sixth year.

In April, **Nathan Newey** joined the University of Greenwich Library as Bibliographic Services Co-ordinator. For the previous six years Nathan was Technical Services Manager at the University of East London.

Frances Shipsey took up the post of Acquisitions and Serials Librarian at the Institute of Education, University of London in April. For the previous 19 years, Frances was at the London School of Economics, most recently as eServices Librarian.



Clare Martin left the Institute of Psychiatry Library, Kings's College London at the end of April after 20 years in the library. Clare had been Librarian

for the last five years and has taken voluntary redundancy.

Alice Keller, formerly Assistant Director, Collections and Resource Description at the Bodleian Libraries, left last September to take a year's study leave before moving into a new job. During her sabbatical at Oxford University she is investigating students' reading behaviour and the reasons behind the choices they make for reading in print or off screen. From the beginning of August she will take up her new position as Editorial Director, Library and Information Science with De Gruyter Saur in Munich, Germany. She will be making her debut as Editorial Director at IFLA in Gothenburg.



At Queen's University Belfast (QUB), **Elizabeth Mullan** is taking early retirement at the end June. Elizabeth worked in different QUB libraries before moving to what was then the Agricultural Library at Newforge in 1997 as Periodicals Library Assistant. Since 2007, the library has been part of the Agri-Food & Biosciences Institute.



In June, **Jillian Latto** took up the post of Intellectual Property & Marketing Administrator for the Knowledge Transfer Centre at the University of St Andrews.

Jillian was previously Academic Services Librarian at the Centre for Innovation in Learning and Teaching at Carnegie College in Dunfermline.

Gordon Burridge retired as Library Acquisitions Manager at the end of April after nearly 20 years at Southampton Solent University. Gordon will be known to many librarians through his attendance at UKSG conferences.

At St Patrick's College, Drumcondra, **Orla Nic Aodha** was appointed Librarian in March. For the previous six years, Orla had been Assistant Librarian at St Patrick's. She is Chair of the Acquisitions Group of Ireland (AGI), and an Associate of the Library Association of Ireland. Orla replaces **Evan Salholm**, who retired in August last year after 26 years in the library.

Stuart Brough was appointed Director of Information Services at the University of Strathclyde in December 2009. Stuart was previously Director of Information Technology Services at Strathclyde. He now heads a converged service including all IT and Library services, and the Directorate is in the throes of major reorganization and restructuring.

At the Jordanhill Campus Library of the University of Strathclyde, Campus Librarian **David Alcock** and Senior Serials Assistant **Alice Clark** are taking early retirement over the summer. For the last 24 or so years, David and Alice have managed the serials at what was

Jordanhill College of Education and is now the Faculty of Education of the University of Strathclyde. The Faculty is undergoing further evolution (merging and migrating), but alas without them. Alice is heading for the hills in her new VW campervan and David is doing the same with his rather longer legs.

Aileen Cook joined the Wellcome Library in April as Acquisitions



Team Leader. Aileen was Assistant Librarian - Serials at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS), University of London, for seven years. There are no plans to fill Aileen's post at IALS. At the Wellcome, Aileen replaces **Yasmin Bokhari**.



Gordon Tibbitts has joined Atypon as its President, reporting to CEO **Georgios Papadopoulos**. He joins Atypon after serving as Chief Executive Officer of Berkeley Electronic Press. Prior to that, Gordon was President of Blackwell Publishing.

In June, **Nick Harknett** joined Dawson Books as Managing Director. Nick was previously Managing Director of the Publishing Services Division of Pindar PLC, where he was responsible for Content Management and Book Publishing, together with eCommerce. Nick replaces **Diane Kerr**, who left Dawson in February after nearly 30 years

with the company. In the interim since February, consultant **Liz Horne** has been Managing Director. Liz has worked in publishing for around 30 years and as a consultant has worked in interim management roles in businesses including Oxford University Press, Hodder and Nelson Thornes.

In June, **Alicia Wise** moves to a newly-created post of Director of Universal Access with Elsevier. Alicia was formerly Chief Executive of the Publishers Licensing Society. She was also seconded part-time as Head of Digital Publishing at The Publishers Association.

Maverick Marketing, the publishing industry outsource services company, has grown rapidly this year. In April, Maverick assumed control of the Irish e-consultancy and technical development business, newchapter.ie. New Chapter founders **Liam Chambers** and **Clyde Hatter** joined the senior management team as Senior Product Manager and Senior Technologist, respectively. In May, **Louise Weale**, previously with Ingram Digital, joined Maverick as **Senior Business Development Associate** to lead sales of Maverick's services as well as provide business development and para-legal support for publishers and intermediary clients. **Sara Killingworth** also joined in May to act as lead Market Analyst and Senior Strategic Marketing Associate for all relevant Maverick clients. Sara was previously Senior Strategic Marketing Manager for

ProQuest Information and Learning. **Debbie Harman** joined in June to head a new Institutional and Library sales and distributor management division. Between 2000 and 2008, Debbie was Director of International Sales at ABC CLIO before setting up Publishing Sales Solutions (PSS) which delivered outsourced sales services to publishers wishing to sell electronic content into the international market place. PSS has joined Maverick and forms the basis of their library and institutional Sales Division.

Serials-eNews reported in March that The Johns Hopkins University Press had announced the appointment of **Dean Smith** as Director, Project MUSE. Dean leads the Press's electronic scholarly journals publishing programme and is due to oversee an expansion to include more archival journal content on the MUSE platform and enhanced services to subscribers, content providers and end-users. Dean previously worked for the American Society for Training and Development, the American Chemical Society, Chapman & Hall and Springer-Verlag.

In February, **Richard Steeden** joined Publishing Technology as Online



Sales Manager for Europe. Richard had previously worked for over 13 years in a variety of roles for EBSCO in the UK

and Australia. Richard's role with Publishing Technology is to generate new business for the Scholarly Division's ingentaconnect and pub2web content hosting services. Richard is based in the company's Oxford office.

Rebecca Appleby recently accepted the role of Online Sales Manager at Publishing



Technology, developing new business for the Scholarly Online Division's ingentaconnect and pub2web services in North America. Rebecca started her publishing career in advertising sales in 2001 at Reed-Elsevier, before joining NEJM in 2007. Rebecca is based in Publishing Technology's Cambridge MA office.

Steven Hall is the new Managing Director at the Institute of Physics. Steven started out at Macmillan Press, went on to Chadwyck-Healey and ProQuest, and then in 2004 moved to Blackwell Publishing and later Wiley-Blackwell. More recently he has formed and run his own scholarly publishing consultancy. Stephen is due to start as Managing Director in early July to allow time for a transfer of operations from **Jerry Cowhig** who will be retiring from IOP Publishing after successfully leading the company for the past 15 years.

After nearly 28 years in the business, **Kevin Ward** will retire from Swets at the end of June. After three years with



Elsevier Science Publishers as Sales Manager for the Middle East, India and Pakistan, Kevin joined Swets in 1985 as Sales Manager for the Africa Asia and Australasia region. Kevin helped develop Swets' Australian business rapidly, with an office opening in Melbourne in the late '80s. Kevin was also involved in the opening of the first Swets office in South Africa, travelling extensively throughout East, West and Southern Africa. Following the merger of Swets with Blackwell Information Services, Kevin has concentrated on the Middle East where he is now best known. In retirement, Kevin plans to concentrate on golf and cruising his sloop around the canals of Amsterdam – yeah, right! His friends, colleagues, customers and competitors will certainly miss him in the industry.