At the British Library, Caroline Brazier has been appointed to the Library’s Executive Team as the Director of Scholarship & Collections. She takes over from Phil Spence, who was seconded into that role for two years and who will continue as Director of Operations & Services. Caroline’s work includes developing a strategy for digital scholarship, to ensure that the Library delivers the right content and services for all researchers now and in the future; reviewing the Library’s collection strategy and continuing to develop the capability and skills of Directorate staff to deliver services in an increasingly digital research environment.

In January, Randy S Kiefer was appointed Executive Director of CLOCKSS (http://www.clockss.org), the global non-profit, community-governed archive that preserves digital scholarly materials for the very long term through a distributed network of archive nodes. Randy is the Principal Consultant in the Kiefer Strategy Group, LLC, which handles business development efforts for publishers like INFORMS, the American Accounting Association, the Military Operations Research Society, and others. Randy, who is the Archive’s first full-time Executive Director, takes over the role from Gordon Tibbits, President of Atypon Systems.

As reported recently in the Research Information Network newsletter, Sally Curry retired (early) at the end of December after four years with RIN. Sally was RIN’s Library Collaboration Programme Manager, and played a key role in developing RIN’s relationships with the library sector.

At the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Madeleine Smith, previously at the Treasury, has joined as Deputy Head of the Knowledge and Information Team. Celia Waters and Lesley Vickers have joined the KIM Team as Embedded Information Managers. Elaine Camroux McLean has moved across from Research Analysts to fill the slot vacated by Tony Worron, who now covers Alison Memmott’s role while she is on maternity leave. Sharon Coe, who for the past two years has worked on building up the FCO’s eLibrary, is also joining the team of Embedded Information Managers.

In April, Siobhan Marron takes early retirement from the MRC Human Genetics Unit Library in Edinburgh where she has worked for the past 14 years: ten as the Unit Librarian and the last four years as Information Manager. The Medical Research Council Human Genetics Unit will become more closely integrated with the University of Edinburgh when it becomes an MRC University Unit later in 2011. Siobhan previously worked at the Forestry Commission, Northern Research Station, for Midlothian District Council Library Service and Scottish Natural Heritage Library, then in Edinburgh.

At the University of Abertay Dundee, Jim Huntingford took on responsibility for the Library last August when Senior Information Manager Shirley Millar moved to the University of Stirling. Jim previously managed the university’s virtual learning technologies and is
Dr Stella Butler was appointed University Librarian and Keeper of the Brotherton Collection at the University of Leeds in January and will take up the position at the beginning of April. Stella was Deputy Librarian at the John Rylands University Library, University of Manchester, having joined the university in 2000 as Head of Special Collections and Principal Keeper. As well as being Deputy Librarian, she was also Associate Director, Research and Learning and Teaching Support. Stella succeeds Margaret Coutts, who retired in October.

Last October at the University of Leeds, the former E-Resources Team, which included the Online Course Readings digitization service, and the Acquisitions Team merged to form a new Resource Acquisition Team with Steve Sharp (also now Co-Editor of Serials) as Team Leader. The move brings together the monograph and subscription ordering and management (print and electronic) functions. Steve was previously Acquisitions Team Leader. Ian Jennings, previously the E-Resources Team Leader, has moved to become the Metadata Team Leader following the retirement last summer of Di Miles.

At the University of Limerick, Brid Frawley retired at the end of September last year after 38 years in the library. Brid, who is thoroughly enjoying her retirement, was Library Assistant Grade 3, responsible for serials and e-resources.

Michelle Dalton, who is a member of the University of Limerick library staff, has been appointed Librarian of the Regional Medical Library of the Regional Hospital in Limerick.

In March, Lesley Sands was appointed Acquisitions Librarian at Queen’s University Belfast. She has been a member of the QUB library staff since 2002 and, for the past six years, has been Assistant Librarian for the AFBI (Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute) in Belfast. Lesley takes over from Gwen Watson, who retired last September.

Caroline Taylor joined Nottingham Trent University as Head of Libraries & Learning Resources in February. Caroline was formerly County Librarian at Oxfordshire Public Libraries.

In January, Gill Dwyer started a new job as Copyright and Digital Resources Adviser at the University of Surrey Library. Gill, who took early retirement in June 2009 as Deputy Head of Library from the London Business School, was Temporary Resources and Collections Manager at Queen Mary, University of London Library for the whole of last year. She was covering for Anselm Nye, who had taken a year’s sabbatical to write a history of the English Dominican Sisters. Anselm is now back as Resources and Collections Manager at Queen Mary, and awaits the publication of his book.

At the University of St Andrews, John MacColl was appointed University Librarian and Director of Library Services, and took up his new post in February. He was previously European Director of the Research Libraries Group. John has worked in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Abertay University Libraries and also in a senior post at the Aberdeen University computing centre.

At Christmas, Ann Sainsbury retired as Collections Manager at the Information Systems and Library Services of the University of Westminster. Ann was at UW for ten years and set up the Collection Management Unit two years ago in order to bring together print and e-resource acquisition.

In January, Matthew Crook joined Burgundy as Sales Director responsible for developing new business throughout Central Europe, Israel and South Africa. Matthew is responsible for developing sales to academic
and commercial libraries, negotiating site licences for access to online content and promoting the continuing migration from print to online on behalf of Burgundy’s publishing partners. Matthew was previously Journal Sales Manager at Taylor & Francis, managing the company’s relationships with consortia and libraries throughout Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Also in January, Credo Reference announced that Carol Helton is joining the company as Vice President of Worldwide Sales. Carol has a background in the information and software industries, including seven years at Wolters Kluwer, where she ultimately served as Vice President of Sales, Clinical Solutions. She is based at the Boston office.

In February, Dawson books announced the appointment of Dan Breeze as an Area Sales Manager working in the Southern region including Dorset, Cornwall and Kent. For the last ten years Dan worked for Coutts and, prior to that, for Scholastic Australia. Dawson has also announced that Andy Soanes has joined the company as an Area Sales Manager. Andy has nearly 30 years’ experience at Blackwells. He has previously covered most areas of the UK and Ireland and will now be operating in and around London.

After four and a half years working as an Elsevier Account Manager in the UK and Ireland, Rogier van Erkel (pictured) moved within Elsevier Science last November to the post of Global Copyrights Manager. Rogier’s new role focuses on secondary rights, inter-library loan (ILL) and document delivery (DocDel).

At the end of last year, Richard Steeden joined Nielsen Book Services as a Business Development Manager. Richard was previously Online Sales Manager for Europe at Publishing Technology. Before that, Richard had worked for over 13 years in a variety of roles for EBSCO in the UK and Australia.

Tony Roche is the new Country Manager for LM Information Delivery in the UK, the recently established affiliate of the Nordics and Baltics subscription agent LM Information Delivery Group. For the previous six years, Tony was a Director at Prenax and has previously held senior management positions with international subscription agents. Tony is a member of the Association of Subscription Agents executive committee. He is joined by Simon Jackson as Sales & Account Manager, and Carol Sherwood and Vicki Bowden as Account Executives.

At ProQuest, there have been a number of changes following the departure of Regional Sales Director Stephen Hawthorne to the Royal Society of Chemistry. Gareth Williams assumes management of the UK & Ireland sales region, in addition to his responsibilities for MEAI and WAP. And, Carlos Mascorda adds Northern and Eastern Europe sales regions to his responsibilities in Southern and Central Europe.

In January, Stephen Hawthorne became Sales Director at the Royal Society of Chemistry with global sales responsibility for the suite of RSC journals and e-books. Stephen has, for the past four years, been Regional Sales Director for ProQuest based in Cambridge and was formerly EMEA Sales Director at Elsevier Heath Science.

In March, Chris Grandy joined the Royal Society of Medicine Press as Head of Sales and Marketing after four years with the Royal Society of Chemistry, where he was Regional Sales Manager – Asia, Middle East and North Africa. At RSM, Chris replaces Ian Jones who has moved to Taylor & Francis.

In December, SAGE took on Ed McBride as US Library Sales Director. Ed was previously Chief Member Engagement
Officer at the large US library consortium, LYRASIS. Prior to his time at LYRASIS, he held various positions at Thomson Gale over a nine-year period, primarily in sales, eventually becoming Senior Vice President, Customer Resource Center. Ed serves on the board of ALA’s Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations, a board that serves as an advocacy group for libraries and public access to information.

Ian Jones joined Taylor & Francis in February as UK and EMEA Journal Sales Director after more than seven and a half years with the Royal Society of Medicine Press, where he became Head of Sales, Marketing and Development.