

A New Team

Some readers must have noticed that the names on the left of the index page have shown some changes over the last few months. Both our Journal office and the Editorial Board have seen major changes.

Pierre Jaques has become the first Director of the Academy's Publication Division. He is now living in Johannesburg after running and directing Elim Hospital and its district health services for many years. He is presently also a part time teacher in the Department of Family Medicine at Medunsa and brings a wealth of experience to the new position. He is committed especially to the development of the rural generalist. Since being with us towards the end of January he has become a valued and important member of the team, taking us to what we see as new heights with the Academy publications in general and SA Family Practice and the Family Practice Manual in particular. He has taken over some of the tasks so ably done by **Sue McGuinness** over the last ten years. Sue, who was instrumental in faithfully building the Publications Division from its infancy, left at the end of January 1995 to start her own communications business. We wish her every success with this.

Angela Bell has now taken over the advertising side entirely and is now our Advertising Manager. She started working with Sue early in 1994. By now she is well known to many of you and we are grateful to have her on the team.

Ann Fraser joined us as Sub Editor in March and takes the place of **Sue Impey** who left in April after many years of faithful service. Ann is getting used to our publication and our desktop system very quickly.

She brings with her many years of experience in the publishing industry. Sue Impey has joined Diversions and hopes to pursue her interest in nature conservation and the environment in her new post.

Sharon George started in our accounts section in April in the place of **Jeannette Pritchard** who has "retired". We wish Jeannette a well earned rest.

The new Editorial Boards for SA Family Practice and the Family Practice Manual have had their first meeting and we are enthusiastic about building our publications into even more valued journals. We want to thank those board members who have retired after almost twelve years of service. The new board has been nominated for a three year term this time.

We are also delighted to welcome the new Chief Executive Officer of the Academy, **Peter Cusins** who starts working from Academy House in Bryanston this month of May 1995. Together the Academy and the Publications look forward to a period of accelerated growth based on the foundations laid by the old team.



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