Membership of the Queen Square Alumnus Association stands at 313 and applications for membership continue to come in from time to time.

**QUEEN SQUARE NEWS:**

**DEATHS:**

**PROFESSOR LEO DUCHEN:**

It is with sadness that we record the death of Leo Duchen on August 2nd 1996. He took up the established Chair of Neuropathology in 1977, and retired from the Institute in 1992. We are grateful to him for the many contributions he made to the development of the Department of Neuropathology.

**RETIREMENTS:**

**PROFESSOR E. K. WARRINGTON:**

Professor Warrington, Professor of Clinical Neuropsychology, retired on 30th April 1996. She was a world leader in her field and had built the most powerful Clinical Neuropsychology department within the United Kingdom. We are delighted that she is continuing to work at Queen Square.

**DR. J. L. HERBERG:**

Dr. Herberg, Reader in Experimental Psychology in the Department of Clinical Neurology, retired on 30th September 1996. Jack Herberg has pursued academic work of the highest standing since he came to the Institute in 1963; we wish him well in his retirement.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**Dr. Niall Quinn:** Head of the Movement Disorders Section within the University Department of Clinical Neurology;  
**Dr. Kailash Bhatia:** Lecturer in Movement Disorders and Honorary Consultant Neurologist; **Dr. James Palmer:** Clinical Senior Lecturer in Neurosurgery; **Mr. Neil Kitchen:** Clinical Senior Lecturer in Vascular Surgery; **Dr. Rolf Jäger:** Senior Lecturer in Interventional Neuroradiology (funded by Laboratoire Guerbet, France); **Dr. Lisa Cipolotti:** Head of Clinical Neuropsychology; **Mr. J. D. Palmer:** Clinical Senior Lecturer in Neurological Surgery; **Dr. J. C. Hobart:** Clinical Lecturer in Neurology with special interest in Neurological Disability; **Dr. M. G. Hanna:** Clinical Lecturer in Neurology (Genetics); **Dr. G. Giovannini:** Scarfe Lecturer/Senior Registrar in Neurology; **Dr. Clare Fowler:** Clinical Senior Lecturer to expand her studies on Uro-neurology.
HONOURS AND AWARDS:

Professor Chris Frith was awarded a 10 year Wellcome Principal Fellowship from 1st April 1996. During the course of the year, Professor Tony Schapira and Professor Chris Mathias were each awarded a D.Sc. by the University of London, and Dr. Peter Goadsby a D.Sc. by the University of New South Wales. Professor Schapira was also awarded the 1995 Buckston-Browne Medal by the Harveian Society, and the Graham Bull Prize for Clinical Science, presented by the Royal College of Physicians. In addition he was invited to become a member of the American Neurological Association. Professor David Landon was elected as Chairman of the University Panel in Human Anatomy and Morphology and as a member of the University Medical Committee to serve on the Council of the University. Professor David Marsden was appointed on 4th January 1996, by the Army Board of the Defence Council of the Ministry of Defence, as Honorary Consultant in Neurology to the Army. Dr. A. J. Lees was conferred the title of Honorary Member to La Sociedad Panamena de Neurocirugia y Neurologia. Professor C. J. Mathias was awarded a Nimmo Visiting Professorship by the University of Adelaide. Dr. Niall Quinn was invited to be a corresponding member of the American Academy of Neurology, and a full member of the Irish Neurological Association.

OTHER NEWS

THE ANITA HARDING MEMORIAL FUND

This has been an outstanding success, and Dr. Anne Young, Julienne Dorn Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School, and Head of Neurology at the Massachusetts General Hospital, has been invited to give the first Anita Harding Memorial Lecture at the Institute in May 1997.

A portrait of Anita has been commissioned and will be formally dedicated on 7th May 1997. It will be hung in the Gilliatt Lecture Theatre.

BUST OF HUGHLINGS JACKSON:

We were delighted that, in July this year, Professor Fred Andermann of the Montreal Neurological Institute very generously arranged to bring back to Queen Square a facsimile of the 'lost' bust of Hughlings Jackson. A joint scientific meeting was held with colleagues from Montreal on 18th July to celebrate its return, which happily coincided with the opening, in June, of the new Hughlings Jackson Ward in Queen Mary Wing of the Hospital.

AFFILIATION WITH UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON.

A number of new initiatives have been developed in the course of the last year through the Institute's affiliation with University College London. These include the development of a Centre for Cognitive Neuroscience under the direction of Professor Tim Shallice, which will have its base in Queen Square. The Institute's Wellcome Department of Cognitive Neurology has combined with UCL's Wellcome Laboratory of Neurobiology under the joint direction of Professor Richard Frackowiak and Professor Semir Zeki. This union affords an exciting combination of clinical and basic neuroscience within
the joint department. The Institute is also involved in the development of the Cruciform Project under the direction of Professor Salvador Moncada, one of whose research teams has moved on a temporary basis into the Institute’s laboratories in Wakefield Street vacated by the Astra Neuroscience Research Unit at the end of August 1996.

1996 HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND RESEARCH ASSESSMENT EXERCISE.

The results of the first HEPCE RAE since 1992 were released on 20th December 1996. The Institute of Neurology came 15th out of 192 institutions. The top average score was 7.00 and the bottom 1.00, and we achieved 6.00 on declaring 53 staff for assessment, representing 98% of the total. Among those ahead of us were Oxford University with 1610 staff selected for assessment (91%, average score 6.67), Cambridge University with 1563 (98%, 6.49) and the London School of Economics with 366 selected (98%, 6.27). We were also "beaten" by the Institutes of Classical Studies and of Germanic Studies, with one staff member in each institute selected for assessment, and an average score of 7.00! University College London, with which we are affiliated, and with whom we are merging in August 1997, came 26th, having declared 1216 staff for assessment (91%, 5.82). These results represent an excellent result, which should be reflected in enhanced university funding for the Institute.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NEUROLOGY MEETING 14-17 APRIL 1997 IN BOSTON

An Alumnus Reception will be held during this meeting. Dr. Michael Finkel has kindly agreed to organise this and further information may be obtained direct from him. His address is as follows:

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ALUMNI NEWS:

Dr. Ethan Taub (Canada) has been awarded the Moseley Travelling Fellowship of Harvard Medical School and will be spending 1996-7 studying the neurosurgical treatment of epilepsy at the University of Zurich.

Dr. J. B. Peiris (Sri Lanka) has been appointed Director of the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo.

CERTIFICATE FOR MEMBERS OF QSAA.

This should be ready early in 1997. We are sorry for the delay but are anxious to produce a certificate of high quality that will be pleasing to the eye. More details, including cost etc. will be available in the next Newsletter.

The next Newsletter will be issued in July 1997, but in the meantime we would like to take the opportunity of wishing all members of the QSAA a very happy and peaceful New Year.