

# Newsletter Summer 2008

# IRIS People



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## *New Faces*

We are delighted to welcome to our team:

Juliette Brown who has gone part time in Devon and taken on a role within IRIS as Practice Manager. This includes mentoring locums and performing assessment work.

Stuart Brooks, our new Recruitment Manager will be working full time for the agency.

Congratulations to Chrissie Caley, Judith Cassidy, Lynne Saywell and Rebecca Pearson for their new agency positions.

## *Meditation*

As part of our combating stress in social work campaign, we now hold a regular Mindfulness and Meditation session at IRIS Head Office in Plymouth, 10-11am on Wednesdays.

Please come either as a regular user or to relieve a moment of madness. Social work is a stressful occupation and IRIS are endeavouring to offer solutions to this.

Dr Jan Collis, in response to requests from her Person Centred Counselling course, has helped us to organise a Sanctuary Day on Sept 15th, a therapeutic and relaxation day. Please call Rachel at the office for details.

## *August Social Event*

We would like to spend some time with you, so please join us at the Turtley Cornmill, South Brent, Devon, TQ10 9ES, from 6pm onwards on Weds 27th August. RSVP to [stuart@irispeople.co.uk](mailto:stuart@irispeople.co.uk)

*"Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family: whatever you call it, whoever you are - you need one."*  
*Jane Howard.*

## *Re-launched Website*

Many thanks to Neil Anstis for redesigning our website which now features our Training Schedule with full details of course dates, trainers, venues and prices. You can download a booking form online, along with a Professional Development Brochure and contact referral forms.

[www.irispeople.co.uk](http://www.irispeople.co.uk)

## *Feedback from Multi Agency*

Congratulations to Sue Chamberlain.

General comments include:

"Trainer delivered clearly", "with interest and energy", "very exciting", "engaging and informative training by trainer who is an expert in the field", "Excellent, fab Trainer", "this was absolutely brilliant", "Kudos to Hounslow for investing in having Sue come, and please invest more of it"

What was learned includes:

"How sexual offenders operate", "the enormity of the problem of sexual offending and the difficulty in treating them", "to support victims of sex offenders it helps to have insight into sexual offenders behaviour"

## *Training Schedule 2009*

The Training Schedule for 2009 is up! We provide excellent, relevant and up to the minute training and supervision. People who come to us experience a team of expert, knowledgeable, effective and trusted, mutually supporting, positive professionals.

We very much rely, and act upon, feedback that we have received from our customers. In response to this we have added in several more courses. Please visit our website for further information.