

# NEWS

## OUT AND ABOUT: WHO'S BEEN SPOTTED WHERE?



ADDRESSING THE ALL PARTY PARLIAMENTARY DRUGS MISUSE GROUP: UKESAD PRESENTERS FROM SAMHSA, TEXAS UNIVERSITY AND BETTY FORD CENTER

PORTCULLIS HOUSE IN WESTMINSTER kicked off the 3rd UK/European Symposium on Addictive Disorders, with an international meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group organised by Dr Brian Iddon MP and chaired by Paul Flynn MP. The UKESAD presenters giving evidence at it were (pictured from far left to left): Jeff Georgi, co-chair of the US government Samhsa/CSAT Treatment Improvement Protocols on motivational interviewing, and trainer at Duke University Medical Center addictions programme; Professor Carlton Erickson if the Addiction Science Research & Education Center, University of Texas; and Jerry Moe, director of children's programmes at the Betty Ford Center, accompanied by colleague Drew Paxton. Also speaking was Paddy Creedon who was recruiting for the first chair in addiction studies in mainland Europe, at the University of Leuven. Vice chair of the APP Drugs Misuse Group Lord Mancroft – who is also chair of the Addiction Recovery Foundation – took notes so that he could introduce Erickson at the plenary session the next day (both pictured above right). About 500 people attended the three



days of presentations – starting each day at 8am! – by almost 60 national and international presenters. These included bestselling authors Rokelle Lerner and Willingway Hospital's Dr Al Mooney, Emily Finch and Tom Aldridge of the National Treatment Agency as well as chair Baroness Massey, Adfam CEO Viv Evans, NDPDU head of quality Gail Styles and programme-development head Sharon Walker, Professor Jozef Corveleyn from Brussels, Dr Michael Wilks of the BMA and Rapt, Dr Mike McPhillips of the Priory, Shelly Uram from the Meadows, Johanna O'Flaherty from Sierra Tucson, John Trolan, Luke Chester-Master, Don Serratt of LifeWorks and Joe Amico of the Alternatives chain of GLBT centres for addiction treatment.



PITCHING IN: DR DAVID BEST OF BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY, WHO WAS CONDUCTING NTA RESEARCH INTO PROFESSIONALS IN RECOVERY AT UKESAD



BLOWING KISSES: ADDICTION TODAY EDITOR AND UKESAD COFOUNDER/ORGANISER DEIRDRE BOYD



GIVING TO THE FIELD: THERAPIST BARBARA SORENSEN WITH SONS (l-r) ADFAM COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER NICOLAY AND FARM PLACE PROGRAMME DIRECTOR JOHAN



OVER 200 PEOPLE ATTENDED ROKELLE LERNER'S BREAKOUT SESSION ON LONG-TERM RECOVERY



"THE PRESENTERS ARE EXCELLENT, BUT I COME FOR THE PEOPLE" – YVONNE OLIVER, DIRECTOR OF THE RIPPLE PROJECT AND YORKSHIRE WOMAN OF THE YEAR



PRESENTER PATRICK DECELLO (PHOTO TAKEN FROM BELOW A MESSAGE HEADREST) – DELEGATES GOT NECK AND SHOULDER MESSAGES FROM QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS COURTESY OF STEPPS



TRISTAN MILLINGTON-DRAKE AS YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE: THE CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CENTRE DIRECTOR GETS A MESSAGE AT UKESAD

## AND WITH WHOM? 500 PEOPLE WERE AT UKESAD...



BMA ETHICS COMMITTEE chair Dr Michael Wilks (pictured above left with therapists including Mark Fenwick and Fiona McKinney) went straight from his Friday presentation on forensic addiction treatment to a boat to hear comedian Mike Gunn's specialist talk on drugs prevention for schools. The symposium was accredited by the UK Professional Certification Board of Alcohol/Drug Counsellors, a member board of the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium of Alcohol and Drug Counsellors – which meant that delegates acquired rigorous 'gold-standard' IC&RC training credits which are recognised in over 69 countries. The 4th UK/European Symposium is planned for 17-19 May 2007.



PRESENTER DR AL MOONEY, AUTHOR OF *THE RECOVERY HANDBOOK*, COMPARES NOTES WITH (l-r) DR MASSIMO RICCIO AND THERAPIST GERARD CHEVALIER



CROSSING BARRIERS: REHABILITATION FOR ADDICTED PRISONERS TRUST CEO MIKE TRACE (centre) WAS ONE OF 200 DELEGATES ON THE BOAT TRIP



COUNSELLOR RICHARD RENSON, MANAGER OF THE COACH HOUSE SECOND-STAGE UNIT, SAILING WITH PIERPOINT GROUP COUNSELLOR JOHN GRAHAM (l-r)



BACK TO BASE: RAPT DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS DAVE MULVANEY AFTER EARNING TRAINING CREDITS ATTENDING THE BOAT PRESENTATION ON PREVENTION



NETWORKING: BLITHE COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND QUANTUM DIAGNOSTICS



MIXING: ROEHAMPTON PRIORY ADDICTIONS DIRECTOR NICK GULLY (r-l) WITH DAVID GUERRERO OF POSITIVE CHANGES AND ALCHEMY'S JOHN AND ANN CHAMBERLAIN



RETURNING FOR THE 3RD YEAR: JAIME DELGADO FROM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OF THE PALM BEACHES



FLYING IN TO NETWORK (l-r): PAUL GALLANT OF SIERRA TUCSON, ANDREW VINCENT OF NOVAVIDA AND TOM EDWARDS OF PAVILLON



"GIVE US THE SAME GREAT SPOT NEXT YEAR" COLLEEN KAPISTRANO FROM THE MEADOWS



"MY CUSTOMER ORDERS ARE BIGGER THAN YOURS" METHASOFT MD ROBERT GOFF APPRECIATES EUROMED'S RICHARD BENNETT