

# NEWS

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



GIVING EVIDENCE IN PARLIAMENT (l-r): MEE-LEE, GRUBB-BARTHWELL, BOYD, KNEPPER AND DECHELLO WITH RUTH GOLDSMITH (front) TAKING THE MINUTES



THOSE FAMOUS MINISTERIAL RED BOXES: INSPIRATIONAL SETTING FOR UKESAD SPEAKERS MEE-LEE AND GRUBB-BARTHWELL



IS HE RECOGNISABLE WITHOUT THE BEARD? BESTSELLING PSYCHOLOGIST JOHN FRIEL SERENELY PRESENTED A WORKSHOP ON HANDLING RAGE



MAKING AN ENTRANCE: PRESENTER CORINNE GERWE, CREATOR OF THE G-OM ORCHESTRATION METHOD OF GROUP THERAPY, OUTSIDE UKESAD REGISTRATION

A HOUSE OF COMMONS committee room was the powerful history-imbued setting for an international meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group chaired by Dr Brian Iddon MP (see photo to right) — and by *Addiction Today* editor and UKESAD organiser/cofounder Deirdre Boyd when the MPS were called to vote — and featuring speakers flown into London for the 4th UK/European Symposium on Addictive Disorders, which started the day after. The topic was Strategic Views of Best Practice in Addiction/Dependency Treatment. The UKESAD presenters giving evidence there (pictured far left to left) were: ○ David Mee-Lee, co-chair of the US government's Treatment Improvement Protocol on *Patient Placement Criteria*, chair of the Coalition for National Clinical Criteria, and co-chair of the Quality Improvement Council for the American Society of Addiction Medicine/ Academy of Addiction Psychiatry/ Psychiatric Association, ○ Dr Andrea Grubb-Barthwell, former White House adviser on drug abuse and addiction and



president of the American Society of Addiction Medicine, ○ Cheryl Knepper, director of special projects and adolescent training at the \$45.5million-turnover Caron Treatment Centers and ○ Professor Patrick DeChello, author of books including *Clinical Supervision* and *Understanding Self Harm*. About 500 people from the UK, mainland Europe, middle east, US, Canada and Iceland attended the three days of UKESAD presentations — starting each day at 8am! — by almost 60 national and international presenters. These included National Treatment Agency chair Baroness Massey, Lord Griffiths of Burry Port, IC&RC international accreditation president Jeff Willbee, Marj Williams on



PROMOTING BOUNDARIES: CODEPENDENCY-TREATMENT PIONEER AND BESTSELLING AUTHOR PIA MELLODY (right) WITH *ADDICTION TODAY*'S EDITOR



NEW TITLE: MARTIN LEE'S PLENARY WAS HIS FIRST AS HEAD OF PRISON SUBSTANCE-MISUSE STRATEGY, NATIONAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT SERVICE, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE



OVER 200 PEOPLE ATTENDED PATRICK DECHELLO'S ALL-DAY BREAKOUT WORKSHOP ON SELF INJURY (top), WHILE 300 LISTENED TO MELLODY ON RELATIONSHIPS



UPWARDLY MOBILE: FROM UKESAD 2004 TO 2007 (r-l), DR BRIAN WELLS, WHO COPRESENTED WITH DR DAVID BEST, IS HOOKED ON HIS PHONE

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



**INTERNATIONAL VISITORS:** JOSE FEIO AND EMANUEL ANUNCIACAO OF SPONSOR NEW ATTITUDE, JORGE FARIA, NEW ATTITUDE CEO JORGE VENCESLAU, MARIA LADEIRA



**CHOCOLATE HAMPER:** LEANNE CORNISH OF RAPT WON THE RIPPLE RAFFLE — AND GENEROUSLY DONATED THE CONTENTS TO THE VOLUNTEERS SHE COORDINATED



**EXCHANGE OF PRACTICE:** DEE MCGRAW TOOK TIME OFF FROM ORGANISING UKESAD'S 'SISTER' EVENT, THE CAPE COD SYMPOSIUM ON ADDICTIVE DISORDERS

smoking cessation, psychiatrist Dr Henrietta Bowden on gambling, Liz Cervio on trauma, GLBT guru Joe Amico and relapse-prevention specialist Terry Gorski, researchers John Marsden, Phil Harris and George Christo, RAPT CEO Mike Trace and Caroline Bonds and her colleagues from Noms. Enthusiastically received were the European round table, Andrew Vincent, Dr Paul Collins-Howgill and Dr Mike Rowlands from NovaVida in Portugal returning to the workplace after treatment, and Maurice Quinlan from Ireland on EU workplace regulations.

**DIARY DATE:** UKESAD 22-24 May 2008.



**SUBSIDISING DELEGATES:** GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP FROM DON SERRATT OF LIFE WORKS AND PAUL GALLANT OF SIERRA TUCSON (l-r), AS WELL AS...



... WILL SHONE AND RICHARD BENNETT (l-r) OF EUROMED, AMONG OTHERS, HELPED THE CHARITY TO ALLOW DELEGATES IN AT LESS THAN COST



**ADDICTION TODAY** CORRESPONDENT TRICIA DEE (left) WITH URSULA BROWN WHO TOOK TIME OUT FROM THE ALLIANCE TO HANDLE DELEGATE BOOKINGS



**NETWORKING:** MARTIN SMITH, PROGRAMME DIRECTOR OF PRIORY FARM PLACE, AND MICHELE PALEY, HOSPITAL DIRECTOR OF PRIORY HOSPITAL WOKING, BRIGHTON & HOVE, FARM PLACE, COACH HOUSE



**VALUE-ADDED BENEFITS:** DELEGATES COULD WIN A BLUETOOTH HEADSET IN EVERY BREAK, FROM SPONSOR MODERN COMMUNICATIONS' SAJIDA BANDUKWALA



**BRIEFING:** LAWYER LORD NOEL-BUXTON CAUGHT UP ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ALCOHOL- AND DRUG-TREATMENT FIELD



**SUCCESS IN RECOVERY:** LESLEY REARDON, DAVID BREMNER AND LUKE MITCHESON TOOK TIPS FROM UKESAD FOR OPENING THEIR OWN TREATMENT CENTRE



**INFORMATION MATTERS:** DELEGATES UPDATED THEIR REFERENCE LIBRARIES WITH PUBLICATIONS FROM BLACKWELL, AMONG OTHER BOOK DISTRIBUTORS