

Newsletter

Branch Meeting – Dr Fiona Scott

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Wednesday 14th January 2009 at 7:30pm in the Emma Ferbrache Room at the Princess Elizabeth Hospital



Dr Fiona Scott is in the Island to help train Health and Social Services staff in diagnosis of autism but while she is here has also agreed to give a one hour talk to the Branch. She will be speaking on Asperger Syndrome lifespan on Wednesday 14th January. We will be meeting at the Emma Ferbrache Room at the Princess Elizabeth Hospital at 7:30pm with teas and coffees available as usual.

Dr Scott is a Chartered Psychologist and honorary Senior Research Associate with the Autism Research Centre, University of Cambridge. She has a decade of experience in researching and assessing children and adults with autism spectrum disorders. Current research includes epidemiology of the broad autism spectrum and Asperger syndrome in 5-11 year olds; a Toddler study into early social and communication development and difficulties; and developing work exploring prospective incidence of autism spectrum disorders. Dr Scott has also been involved with the Department of Health workshop and policy drafting on Asperger's Syndrome, the All Party Parliamentary Group on Autism the National Initiative for Autism Screening and Assessment (NIASA), and the Review Group for the Medical Research Council Review of Autism Research. (www.autismresearchcentre.com/arc/staff_member.asp?id=4)

It will also be a chance to catch up on other news and developments locally as well as look at the library books and borrow and return any.

This is a great opportunity to listen to a very interesting speaker who is influential in developing policy on autism.

It would be helpful to know numbers as this event may be popular. Please phone or e-mail Carol Le Page or Judith Pattimore (contact details overleaf) to let us know if you are coming.

AGM

The AGM took place in November and we said a sad farewell to our Treasurer Bob Banfield who has worked relentlessly counting the Branches pennies and leaving its finances in a healthy state. Heartfelt thanks was given to him – as well as something to drink!

Stalwart Paul Everitt stepped into Bob's shoes as Treasurer and we welcomed a new face on the Committee, Jo Horsepool, who will bring enthusiasm and experience as well as reducing the average age!

If you feel you have something to contribute but missed the AGM please speak to one of the Committee as there is plenty of work to do this year and new faces are always welcome!

Tiara Competition

Thanks to Jen Guezo for organising a Tiara raffle which raised £141 for Branch funds. If anyone has any fund raising ideas please let your Committee know!



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The NAS Guernsey Branch is a voluntary organisation, which aims to ensure that all people with autism and related conditions, and their carers, have access to appropriate life long learning, care and support. The Branch seeks to achieve this through directly providing services, working with other agencies and advocating for and on behalf of people with autism and their carers.

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