Editorial

As I write, we are almost a third of the way through the year, but the east wind is still blowing! Nevertheless, I hope that some glorious summer weather will be with us by the time you receive your copy of the Journal.

Most of you will know that this is the year we celebrate our Sixtieth Anniversary as a clinical interest group. We have chosen the Autumn 2008 edition of the Journal (No. 103) as our commemorative issue, and plan to include a number of interesting articles, both historical and otherwise, as well as the usual clinical papers and ACPWH news. A number of new Journal initiatives are also underway that should come to fruition by the time that the commemorative issue is published.

The present issue is being published rather later than scheduled. This is partly because of the late Conference in November 2007, followed by the Christmas holiday, and partly a result of unforeseen illness affecting the production side, which has skewed the schedule. We hope to be back on track by the autumn and expect the commemorative Journal to be out in early September.

You will remember that income generation is in the forefront of the executive committee's collective mind, not least to offset the rising production costs of the Journal. To that end, you will notice that we have included colour advertising for the first time. We do not plan to have too many pages of advertising, but need to see the facts and figures after this issue has been published in order to assess the overall success of the strategy.

Apart from that, we are gradually adding a few new features in each issue, such as reinstating the list of successful students from the Bradford course, which had lapsed in recent years.

I urge any of you who are reading this and are interested in being involved in any aspect of the ACPWH to contact the relevant chairman (see the details on p. 2, opposite) or Ruth Hawkes (for area representatives). Experience is not a prerequisite for joining any ACPWH committee, but enthusiasm and commitment are! We would welcome interest or enquiries from anyone, as well as comments or suggestions on this or future editions of the Journal.

Ros Thomas

Copy deadline

Copy (including disks) for the Autumn issue of the Journal (No. 103) must be submitted to the editor by **2 July 2008**. Please note that academic and clinical articles must be received well before the deadline since time must be allowed so that they can be informally reviewed. Manuscripts should be printed on one side of A4 paper, **double-spaced** with a wide margin and adhere to the author's guidelines found on p. 116. Articles for consideration should be sent to Mrs Ros Thomas, Byway, Chapel Lane, Box, Corsham, Wiltshire SN13 8NU.

Cover photograph: The Conference 'virgins' (see pp. 65–69).