



THE AHPP PAGE

**Association of Humanistic
Psychology Practitioners**

My year as Chair of AHPP is over, the new Chair is John Rowan who, to everyone's amazement has never been Chair of AHPP! The new Board has several new members on it from the AGM and can look forward to an interesting and challenging year with the task of really keeping AHPP as a mixed organisation of a wide range of humanistic practitioners at the same time as dealing with (and often having a major influence on) the inevitable and unstoppable professionalisation of psychotherapy. As one of the very few accrediting organisations that neither trains people nor accredits courses, we are faced with having to re-think our accreditation process. How can we accredit people we don't know? On the other hand unlike training centres we are independent and don't have a vested interest in passing our "graduates". But if we only accredit people we know this sounds to me suspiciously like an old boys/girls network and hardly a model of an open organisation or an equal opportunities policy! A sub-committee is looking into this now. Your thoughts would be valued.

The 1992 Conference

After the great success of this year's conference on 'The Therapeutic Relationship' with Petruska Clarkson in April at Gaunt's House in Dorset we have (provisionally) booked the same venue for 10th - 12th April for the next conference. The theme will be 'Paths of Awareness - The Relationship between Psychotherapy and the Development of the Human Spirit'. The main speaker will be and workshop leaders will be: Alix Pirani, Howard Cooper, Maura Sills, Kunderke Kevlin, Gill Edwards, Courtenay Young, John Rowan. All are therapists and all have interest in, and experience of, the transpersonal: the spiritual dimensions of human experience. The costs are the same as last year and very reasonable for a professional training and development conference: £130 with discounts of £25 for Full AHPP members, £15 for Associates and £10 for AHP(B) members. Details from Ian Lee, AHPP Administrator, 14 Mornington Grove, London E3 4NS Tel: 081-983-1492.

Disciplinary Action

In response to the request made by the Annual General Meeting of AHPP, held on 10th November 1991, that *Self and Society* should receive information about disciplinary action taken as a result of complaints to the AHPP and that this information should be made known to members of AHP and to the public at large we print the following:

Geoffrey Whitfield of Brighton has been expelled from membership of AHPP for serious professional misconduct.

Martin Jelfs - Chair AHPP.