

AHPb Chair's Page

With **Lucy Scurfield**

Dear Friends,

Self & Society is the ever-vital voice of the AHPb. Its radical perspective in these challenging times is an essential alternative to mainstream media and the status quo. Its thought-provoking content includes articles, interviews, poems, and book and other reviews that will appeal to those who want to know about Humanistic Psychology, and its exploration of what it is to be human both with the aim of enhancing the individual and society. It will appeal to anyone with a concern about our response to the huge and vital issues which confront us.

Like so many other organisations AHPb is limited by financial constraints. Due to our straitened circumstances we are producing alternating quarterly issues of the printed journal, the first issue of which was published in 1973, and the online magazine, which was first published in 2018. Contributions for both are always very welcome.

Dina Glouberman and I wish to thank Richard House, our fellow AHPb Board member, for his hard work as sole editor which he has done with enormous dedication since January 2020. Very many thanks are due also to Adrian Barker for the considerable amount of hard work in the design and production of the publications and the website. We also extremely grateful to Carrie Bremner for her beautiful cover designs.

Hopefully, as the lockdown-related restrictions ease, we will once again promote Humanistic Psychology by offering face-to-face events. We anticipate that these will include a conference which sister organisations, such as the

Independent Practitioners Network, will be involved with. A possible theme might be *Engaging Our Hearts in Dangerous Times*. Watch this space.

We also hope to promote Humanistic Psychology globally. With this in mind we have met with the AHP in the United States and are very appreciative of their enthusiasm and warm response, and we look forward to some sort of collaborative venture with them in the future.

We are a small committed team dedicated to keeping the AHPb going forward in a sustainable and forward-looking way. Underpinning this is a well-maintained data base which is managed with great care by our administrator Anne Goodhew, to whom very many thanks are due. We are so grateful for her hard work in making sure that subscribers receive their publications and are able to access the archive.

Clearly this work has a cost. So please do make sure that your subscription is up to date and for the correct amount – thank you. Please do email admin@ahpb.org if you have any questions about this.

We would welcome offers of assistance; any help will be gratefully received. This includes anyone who thinks they might like to become a member of the AHPb Board. Volunteers will have free membership. If you can spare a few hours please do get in touch.

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