Network News

Network Book Published

The Network book, *Wider Horizons*, was launched at a reception in the Linnean Society library on March 13th. We are enclosing another leaflet about the book and would strongly encourage you to buy a copy, not only because of its intrinsic interest and scope - there are forty contributors to the volume - but also because you are supporting the Network by doing so! The book provides a unique introduction to the Network and our major concerns ranging across science, medicine and healing, consciousness, philosophy and values, and implementing a new socio-economic and educational vision for the next century. Many of the contributors are well known and few books so concisely present the full range of new paradigm thinking across the disciplines. And at a special price for members of £10 for a book of nearly 400 pages, it represents tremendous value! Two other special features are an annotated bibliography of fifty of the most significant books published in the last 25 years and a chronology of public events arranged by the Network. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking BRIAN BOX of St. Andrews University for his hard work in typesetting the book on Pagemaker and JOHN CATON for producing an excellent index. Please also think of ordering a copy for your local library or an extra copy for a friend.

Membership and Directory

The new Members' Directory is enclosed for full members, along with a special form that you can pass on to a friend or colleague to encourage them to join the Network. Our growth is almost exclusively by word of mouth. We are sure that all members will know at least two colleagues or friends who would benefit from Network membership. If you need extra forms, please contact the office or direct them to our web site at Plymouth (see inside front cover for address). There is a membership application form on the web that is sent directly as an email to the office.

Network Index, 1997-8 Now Available

John Caton has undertaken the Herculean task of compiling an index for all the 1997 and 1998 issues of Network. He has compiled separate subject and author indexes that refer to each other and has included all articles and major reviews. It is a superb and fascinating piece of work that makes one realise the range of material contained in this Review. This is too expensive to print and circulate to everyone but you can obtain your copy in one of three ways: 1) Download it from the web site 2) Send an email to Joyce and she will send you an electronic copy as a Word document or 3) Send in for a copy to the office and enclose stamps or a cheque or credit card authorisation for £3.

Network AGM

Bookings are going well for our annual meeting in July in Switzerland, with over fifty members already registered. You will find another invitation enclosed and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

Office

RODDY McNEIL has left us for a job teaching IT and MARY ANDERSON had taken over from him as of the 9th of April. Roddy did a great job getting our accounting and computer systems updated and will be missed by all at the office. Mary and Joyce now have their own

email addresses, so that any administrative or book-keeping query can be directly addressed to them.

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Web Site

JOHN CATON has made good progress on the web site with the help of a St. Andrews University student, Brian Box. The private area has been redesigned as has the public articles section. We will report further developments in the next issue.

Consciousness Group on Dreams

The group had a fascinating day on dreams in March and is planning its next meeting for June 19th on transforming the knower in scientific and medical education. PETER FENWICK began the day with an account of the neurophysiology of dreaming and sleep cycles. He told us that the cortex is switched on in dreams but the perceptual gates are closed and that there is interestingly no difference in cortico-thalamic activity in waking and dreaming. ARTHUR ELLISON spoke about lucid dreams and the beginnings of the research that had been done. ANDREAS KYROU raised questions about the use of symbols in dreams and other disciplines. TOM JENNINGS gave us some intriguing examples from his courses of problem solving during dreams. PETER HARDWICK related a dream of his own that gave rise to multiple interpretations besides his own. HERTHA KOERTNER SMITH related her own classification of dream types and ALAN MAYNE gave an account of a creative dream as one of a range of experiences.