

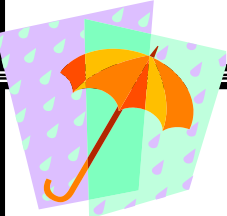
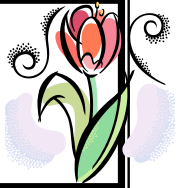
# Balmoral Surgery Newsletter



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Welcome to our *Spring* 2018 Edition of the  
Balmoral Surgery Newsletter



## Dr Stephen Boyd - Retirement

**To All:- We announce the retirement of Dr Stephen Boyd as of 5th May 2018**

Over the last 28 years Dr Boyd has been privileged to work firstly in Cadogan Park and from 1999 at Balmoral Surgery. The Practice has grown significantly over these years, starting with one member of staff, to the current team of eight, caring for our patients.

He worked initially for 6 years with Dr Raymond Finlay and then for over 20 years with Dr Alison Hamilton (his wife, Mrs Alison Boyd). After their son Andrew's major accident in 2015, Dr Hamilton did not return to work.

We know that the last 3 years have been most challenging in the Boyd family circle to which Dr Boyd acknowledges his ***'thanks for the genuine concern shown by so many patients and the unfailing support from my staff throughout this time'***.

The unexpected sudden death of Dr Timothy McCormick has left everyone with an overwhelming sense of loss and sadness. We all extend our heartfelt condolences to his parents and family circle at this very sad and difficult time.

Balmoral surgery is now under the leadership of **Dr Eve Gilmore** who will guide the practice into the future with the help of a team of Doctors, Nursing and Administrative staff.



**The Team at Balmoral Surgery would like to thank Dr Boyd most sincerely for all his help and support throughout the years. All the team have a very high respect for Dr Boyd and we will really miss him. 'Dr Boyd we wish you good health and happiness in your retirement.'**

## Surgery News

### Welcome

We welcome to our team our new:  
**Health Care Assistant**  
**Jennifer McNamara**

Jennifer is very experienced and she will be working every morning in the Treatment Room.

We trust she will all be very happy here.



### Surgery Closures

The surgery will be closed all day on Monday 28th May 2018 for the Bank Holiday.

If you require urgent advice on these dates please contact the:



**OUT OF HOURS**  
**CENTRE ON**  
**Tel: 9079 6220**

### We are a registered Yellow Fever Centre

If you or your family or friends are travelling to a country which requires you to have a yellow fever injection and certificate of proof please contact our reception desk to make an appointment with our Practice Nurse.

There is a private fee for each injection given. You do not need to be a patient at Balmoral Surgery to avail of this service.



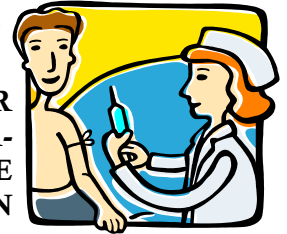
### TRAVEL ADVICE

ARE YOU TRAVELLING ABROAD TO A COUNTRY WHERE YOU NEED VACCINATIONS??

**PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS WHAT YOU NEED WITH THE DOCTOR, AT LEAST 6-8 WEEKS BEFORE YOU ARE DUE TO TRAVEL.**

THE DOCTOR WILL ADVISE YOU ON ALL ASPECTS OF TRAVEL HEALTH, SO THAT YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE SPECIFIC HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COUNTRY YOU ARE VISITING. YOU WILL THEN BE ISSUED WITH THE NECESSARY PRESCRIPTION FOR YOUR VACCINES. IT MAY TAKE SEVERAL WEEKS TO COMPLETE THE COURSE, TO ENSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE ADEQUATE PROTECTION.

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A FEE, PER PERSON, PER COURSE, FOR CERTAIN VACCINES WHICH MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE PRESCRIPTION**



### EMERGENCY CONTACT WHEN WE ARE CLOSED

1. We are closed from 6.00 pm each evening (Monday to Friday), all day Saturday and Sunday and all bank/public holidays: in the event of an emergency during these times please contact the: **Out of Hours: (028) 9079 6220**

2. We are also closed from 8.00 - 9.00 am Monday - Friday & Wednesday afternoons from 1.00 - 6.00 pm. **If you require urgent advice during these times please telephone:**

**07985 935 141— please note this phone DOES NOT receive text messages and is only available at the above times (mentioned in point 2).**



Please do not ask to see a Doctor out of hours unless you genuinely cannot wait until the surgery re-opens.

### MINOR INJURIES SERVICE AT BALMORAL SURGERY

If you sustain a minor injury such as:

- Minor dislocation of a finger or toe
- Minor burns and scalds
- Foreign body in the eye
- Head injury

You may not need to go to A&E - you can have your minor injury dealt with at the surgery. Please ask at reception if you need seen by a Doctor/Nurse regarding a minor injury.