

psychiatric training in Downshire Hospital. He obtained the DPM in 1957 and MRCPI in 1962. He passed the MRCPsych in 1972, and was elected FRCPI in 1978 and FRCPSych in 1985.

He was appointed Consultant Psychiatrist to Gransha Hospital in 1964, succeeding Dr Dawson as Medical Superintendent in 1971. He had a special interest in general psychiatry, child psychiatry and forensic psychiatry. He had wide experience in management and from 1977–1979 was Chairman of Medical Staff/Medical Executive Committees at Altnagelvin Area Hospital.

After his retirement in 1987 he and his wife moved to live in Saintfield, County Down.

Dr Jones is survived by his wife Kathleen and two sons, John and Peter, both of whom are in general practice in England, and to them and the family circle we extend our deepest sympathy.

DERMOT NUGENT

CHRIS WARDLE, formerly Director, Iddesleigh House Clinic and Dryden Clinic, Exeter; Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist, Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital

Christopher John Wardle died in September 1992, aged 64. He was born in Hampstead, attended Gillingham Grammar School and Bishop Wordsworth School, Salisbury, and then commenced his medical studies at Kings College Hospital. Winning the White Prize in Psychological Medicine was an early indication of his specialty interest. He graduated in 1951 and subsequently undertook postgraduate training at the Institute of Psychiatry, gaining the DPM in 1959 and MD, Lond the following year. He was elected MRCPsych in 1971 and proceeded to the Fellowship in 1978. He held a commission in the Royal Navy and was awarded the Korean Service Medal and the United Nations Medal.

His lifetime professional work lay in establishing and developing the Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Services in Exeter, with clinics in other Devonshire towns. He was happiest in active clinical work, especially in his lively Residential Centre in the Wonford Hospital, where he maintained a totally child-centred milieu which was always great fun and indeed had a certain magic. From his own enjoyment of mischief and play, he made immediate contact with children. This emerged from his personality, although he also deliberately fostered it. His chapter on running such a unit appeared in the textbook on *Residential Psychiatric Treatment for Children*, edited by Barker in 1974.

Wardle's clinical approach had been based on a careful study of the activity group play of S.R. Slavson. In some ways he anticipated many of the strategies of the family therapists, e.g. paradox,

by-passing resistance through magic, tricks and laughter.

While always exercising the highest standards of his profession and expecting the same of his colleagues and staff, Wardle eschewed formality and humbug, and sought to get immediately to the nub of the matter in hand. Yet, as colleagues in the College know, he undertook committee work with dedication and verve, and served on his Section's Executive Committee and the Nursing Sub-Committee. He published a number of papers on social factors in psychiatry and on conduct disorder, and more recently, his excellent review articles on the historical development of child and adolescent psychiatric services revealed what a thorough knowledge he possessed of his specialty. He carried it lightly.

When his five children were reared, he retired from active practice, and with his wife, Mary, devoted himself to quintessential West country interests on Inner Clyst Farm – singing, mummung, cider-making, bee-keeping and ponies.

Three months before his untimely death, as a keynote speaker, he delighted an ACPD Conference in the West of Ireland. This was followed by adventures on the Aran Islands and the Burren where he pursued another interest – iron age archeology.

As he left he said, with his infectious chuckle, "This is probably my swan song." Sadly it was.

ANTHONY G. CARROLL

It has been decided that self-written obituaries would be welcome; they should be about 250 words in length and, if possible, accompanied by a reasonably recent good quality photograph.

The deaths of the following have also been reported:

GEOFFREY ARTHUR GODING, retired, 24 Walpole Street, Kew, Victoria 3101, Australia.

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MOHSEN SOBHY NAGUIB, Senior Lecturer, St Mary's Hospital Medical School and St Charles' Hospital, Exmoor Street, London W10.

RAMON FRANCIS NORRIS, Consultant Psychiatrist, Highcroft Hospital, Erdington, Birmingham B23 6AS.

DAVID SHAW, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, 5 All Saints Road, Sutton, Surrey.

WILLIAM ALISTAIR STEWART, Associate Specialist, Ross Clinic, Cornhill Road, Aberdeen, Scotland AB9 2ZX.

FRANK WINSTON, retired, 6010 California Circle, Apt. No. 311, Rockville, MD 20852, USA.