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I've found some spare time this afternoon to put together a quick newsletter. Last time I wrote we were feeling the heat of the Sampson Flat bushfires; this afternoon we are sheltering indoors from a very cold few weeks of winter.

There have been a number of newsworthy events since my last report for today's newsletter.



Firstly, my good friend and colleague Elaine Pretorius has sadly finished consulting at Nunyara House. She joined me in Gawler what seems like years ago to help me with an overwhelming number of requests for consultation. She was part of the dream which became reality in opening our own rooms in Gawler nearly 6 years ago, rather than renting time from Gawler Health Service. She added her own personal touch and trademark cats to her consulting room at Nunyara. Unfortunately due to her increasing commitments and hard work within North Adelaide Local Health Network, it became more and more tricky for her to also balance a private practice in Gawler, and she

called it a day at the end of June. There were some busy days which may have been a factor leading her to drink a liter of Sangria while on holiday in Spain a few years back, but overall Elaine informs me she has enjoyed her time consulting in Gawler and will miss her Monday mornings in Gawler. I would like to thank Elaine on behalf of our team at Nunyara House, as well as her patients and their GPs, for all of her hard work, expertise and kindness she has shown over the years. I wish her all the best for the next stage of her career where she has already rubberstamped her expertise in leadership and management at NALHN. I hope to arrange a weekend lunch get together for the staff, Consultants and families with Elaine in coming months. Perhaps a nice day in early Spring would be nice.

In other news my good friend Parind Vora proposed and married his sweetheart Magda. He surprised us all announcing his news on a Wednesday afternoon after outpatient clinic at the Lyell McEwin Hospital. Magda amazed us even more with her skills organizing a perfect wedding and reception which was held within 2 months of the announcement!



We wish Parind and Magda happiness and good health for the future. I hope Parind's future at Nunyara is also a long one, not only for his support in seeing the never ending new patient referrals, but for Magda's baking treats he brings along to the rooms to share with the staff.

Congratulations must be given to Raj Singh who has been appointed Medical Head of Gastroenterology at NALHN. He has only been in the job a few months and already has made many positive inroads into an overwhelmed service.

At the end of this month we welcome Dr Kavitha Valeriparambath who will start consulting at Nunyara. Kavitha is a specialist General Physician with special interests in Type 2 diabetes, Care of the Elderly and General Medicine. Kavitha also works within Northern Adelaide Local Health Network where some of us have got to know her over the last few years. We wish Kavitha all of the best as she starts private practice. She already seems a little daunted by our computerized Genie system, but I have reassured her that she will be fine as even someone as computer illiterate as me has been able to work it out. I know Kavitha's care will be appreciated by the patients she reviews at Nunyara House.



Sue is currently on a holiday of the lifetime in the USA. Thank you for everyone for their understanding and patience with the resultant typing delays while she will be away, and thank you for the extra hard work that Cherie and Alex have been putting in behind the desk.

Today I had an electrician visit and install new LED lighting in our consulting rooms. I think you will all be impressed by the difference this will make with lighting of our rooms. I hope to be able to avoid climbing the ladder to our tall ceilings to change globes when they blow which seemed all too frequent (I was also told it is unwise for over 40 year olds to climb ladders).

Our consulting rooms should also be cooler in summer. James the electrician will be returning next weekend to change our lighting in the reception and waiting areas. If anyone is looking for a "sparky" for any electrical jobs of their own, I can strongly recommend him.

Finally some house keeping: I encourage you to visit the Nunyara House website (www.nunyarahouse.com.au). A small glitch with patient information sheets appears to be fixed now. Please let me know if there are any other changes that could be made. Doctors, please review your profiles and let me know if you would like any updates to be made. Please also feed back to me any suggestions for improvement in the service provided at Nunyara House or any problems you may encounter. Our annual genie license is also due for renewal so expect to see this on your next monthly account. I also remind each of the Doctors to import their pathology and radiology results into their patient files as a large amount of non-imported results are accumulating in the Pathology results folder from the last few years. Finally, as mentioned in our beginning of the year newsletter, there has been a small sessional rent increase from the new financial year to match the cost of increasing utilities and staff salaries which you will also notice on your next account.

September 16th this year will be the 6 year anniversary of Nunyara House opening for consulting. I cannot believe how quickly the years have passed by. I thank you all for your support over this time in providing a lovely environment for consulting.

Kind Regards,

Anthony Zimmermann

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