

## New Faculty Librarian (Science)

Marie Hounsome has joined the Library as our new Faculty Librarian (Science). She replaces Andy Barrow after his departure (reported in *SciTech Update*, no.49, October 2012) to assist in building a technical library in Oman.

Marie comes with a wide experience in science and NHS libraries in both the FE and HE sectors. After a first degree in which her dissertation 'The Normalisation of the Human Body' looked at conjoined twins which she described as "fascinating", she went on to do a Masters in Librarianship at Sheffield in 2005 which included a dissertation entitled 'The Impact of the Richard and Judy book club on the reading habits of the general public' – apparently such clubs encourage the reading of different genres which the Library's own book

## IEEE Xplore and ACM Digital Library now Shibboleth compliant

The headline says it all really.

Users of the **IEEE Xplore** database and the **ACM Digital Library**—offering the full text of papers and conference proceedings in engineering disciplines, computing, and a variety of other subjects, can now access them off campus using the Shibboleth access rather than having to use the web proxy.

In other words, rather than having to tweak your browser to appear to be on campus, you can simply login in the usual way with your University login and password.

ACM is a little obscure if you go directly to their page rather than via the Library pages, but you should be able to access the ACM Digital Library by clicking on **SIGN IN**, then under **Sign in via your Institution**, click on the **Show the list of Institutions** -> click on your institution name.

We trust that simplifies access.

If you need more information or want a handout to give to students, try our leaflet 'Accessing Electronic Resources' at <http://www.libr.port.ac.uk/libguides/LG155.pdf>



group can certainly attest to as we stretch the reading habits of many of our members and tackle classics, contemporary literature, American fiction, Booker prize winners and even (a much hated) science fiction novel!

Following her time at Sheffield University Marie went on to become a subject librarian at Writtle College. At the agricultural college she was responsible for science subject areas such as equine, agriculture, sport, animal care and animal science. She then became the Outreach Clinical Support Librarian at Surrey and Sussex NHS Healthcare Trust taking the library out to community based staff who worked in Primary Care Trust, mental health and ambulance trusts. She would provide training in online resources and help with literature searching amongst other duties. One of her successes here was in running a workshop which compared literature search methods and results for NHS librarians and research advisers from the University of Canterbury.

From there she took up a post as a subject librarian at Exeter College with a diverse portfolio: maths, science, health and social care, child care, public services, teacher education, and adult learning. Whilst there she contributed to one of the first 'outstanding' results in the new Ofsted regime.

Most recently Marie has been the Learning Resource Centre Coordinator at East Surrey College, running the cen-

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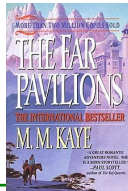
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tre, and managing its staff. Marie told *SciTech Update*, she enjoyed teaching information literacy in the FE environment and really appreciated it being embedded firmly in the curriculum. She has particularly loved being able to visualize college students ongoing education either into HE or further development.

Marie is looking forward to meeting staff in the different science departments, as well as taking on subject responsibility for the wide range of subjects the University contains within science: biological sciences, earth and environmental sciences, geography, pharmacy and biomedical science, health science and social work, radiology, psychology, sport and exercise science, and dentistry. She will also be taking on the research portfolio that Andy looked after including Parade - the Institutional Repository. In a curious link

with the Middle East it turns out that Marie's sister lives in Abu Dhabi.

In her spare time Marie enjoys country walks, romcom films and making things - sewing, she is currently embroidering a wedding sampler for a friend. She hails from Dorking in Surrey originally and with a father who is a farmer has loved helping out with lambing. She has travelled as far as New Zealand, although she'd recommend not attempting that kind of distance for just 10 days! Of course, being librarians, we couldn't resist asking Marie about her favourite author and there was no hesitation in picking M. M. Kaye (of *Far Pavilions* and *Death in.... fame*).



We wish Marie all the best in her new role and are sure that you'll give her a warm welcome when you meet her.

If you do need to get in touch over book ordering, arranging a training session or lecture, please get in touch in the usual ways. Marie's office is on the Ground Floor of the Library (where Andy Barrow was situated) and can be called on 3236 or emailed at [marie.hounsome@port.ac.uk](mailto:marie.hounsome@port.ac.uk).



Photo by Marie Hounsome

## MIT Press eBook Collection

The Library has just added to the some 450 electronic books to the IEEE Xplore database. These are from the MIT Press eBook collection on Computing and Engineering and offer 24/7 access and some 40 new titles to be introduced each year. Individual chapters available in PDF format and there are advanced search capabilities by subject or keyword to quickly find and download relevant chapters within larger eBooks.

Book home pages include bibliographic information, book abstracts, cover scan, general book information and a table of contents with links to chapter PDFs.

Do make use of it and, where relevant, direct students to the volumes or add them to reading lists. For help on linking directly from a reading list to the ebook, please get in touch with us.

Let us know what you think!

## Reading List Review

Since taking on the role of Assistant Faculty Librarian (Science and Technology) in August 2012 Sarah Weston and Ann Hindson have been busy delivering induction sessions, buying books, working on Enquiry Desks and many other things besides.

This summer they plan to devote time to digitising and reviewing reading lists for the Science and Technology Faculties using our Aspire software. Using indicative reading information contained on the Unit Web Search they will make sure that the Library stock can support your teaching needs. As well as checking to make sure titles are in stock they will also be looking for electronic versions.

If you would like to provide them with any additional information to help them in this task please e-mail them [lib-sci-tech@port.ac.uk](mailto:lib-sci-tech@port.ac.uk)

## Sun at last!



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