

# BRITISH ALLIANCE OF HEALING ASSOCIATIONS

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## Newsletter

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### From the President

Dear Colleagues and Friends.

Although the way may be hard and very stressful I have no doubt that we can come through this mire and back into our former Spiritual position of excellence.

I would like to inform you all that we are now Financially Stable and our Debts have been cleared and we are rolling into the New Year in full flight.

This has been helped with the great deal of generosity by many of our Organisations.

The way in which you have all supported the Executive was well beyond what could have been expected.

I would like to thank you all for the help and kindness that you have all shown.

Please let us look forward to the coming year, with success and prosperity.

Our EGM will take place in London on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

Yours with Good Wishes

Ken Baker

### Christmas Greetings

The Team would like to wish You, Your Members and Healers worldwide a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2012.

Ken Baker  
Brenda Peace  
JoAnn Bailey  
Maurice Burns  
David Holmes



### Profile

Each quarter we will be profiling a Member of the Team. This quarter we are profiling David Holmes of Pilgrim Healers our Northern Representative.

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## From The Secretary

Dear Member Associations

It is that time of the year again, it has been quite hectic since the AGM with a lot of time spent on trying to reproduce various documents and forms originally produced in 2006.

As you may be aware David Holmes is, as I write, putting together our Updated Codes Of Conduct (Removing UK Healers references) and also drafting a New Constitution for your purusal. I believe that Davids attention to detail is very important to us and I personally wish to thank him for his Commitment to BAHA

Another of our quests is to re-format and update the Tutors and Students Healing Manual to the latest National Occupational Standards, this will take some time.

In the short term, JoAnn Bailey has worked hard to get the old manual in a format that can be amended and printed etc. During this labourious process the Manual has been split into a Tutors Manual and Students Manual, whilst still retaining most of the original data.

As Secretary, I am available for any queries with regard to the CNHC, BAHA Membership, Complaints, Insurance and Referrals. Please remember also, that your confidential details will not be given to any third party without your permission. Any Queries/Requests from individual Healer Members will be referred to your Member Organisation.

I would like to take this opportunity to Thank all of you for your support at the AGM and give you my Total Commitment to BAHA and it's Future within the Healing Movement

Best Wishes

Maurice Burns

## Greetings to Everyone

I hope all Members and our supporting Friends are well and are able to cope with the weather changes most of us will have.

Despite the weather, I am sure most Centres will be kept running by their loyal teams wherever possible.

Christmas is always a joyous time for many but shouldn't we also spare a thought for those less fortunate across our country and the world when we sit down to good food and company, also for those who live or just exist in most cases, in war torn areas with poverty and disease.

We all know the 'Power of Thought' so perhaps we could just give a 'kind thought' to all those who need it wherever they may be at this time.

I wish you all a 'Very Happy Christmas and a Happy Fulfilling and Healthy 2012'.

### 'Thoughts for the day'

The mind is like a parachute, it only functions when open!

Hope this Christmas for a piece of the 'IF IT' pudding. (if it goes round you will get a piece)!

JoAnn Bailey

## CNHC REGISTER

We have reduced the Administration Fee for BAHA Members wishing to apply to £5.00 per Member

Please contact The Secretary for further Details



### Gracious Spirit

Oh gracious spirit of every type and form that may grace my path and my journey.

Let me see the upliftment that meeting may bring let me feel the joy and energy of love that flows between us.

Let every step I take be one of thought and courage and that every fellow traveller may know thy name.

May the blessings of the eternal spirit shine within us and through us and every right thought and action be an echo of the way in which we wish to be.

Remember every goodness and every positive kindness that we may share and show to our fellows so we may enhance our own journey Into the light.

May all of us seek the knowledge of truth and the will to know the difference.

May God as you understand Bless you and keep you.

Contributions for the next Quarterly Newsletter/Magazine (photographs, articles, success stories etc.) would be most welcome.

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### BAHA NEEDS

#### YOU!

We need the following people to assist in the smooth running of your Association.

**TREASURER:** We urgently need an Executive Treasurer for BAHA. (Nomination forms Available on request).

**MINUTES SECRETARY:** We need a Non Executive Minutes Secretary to take and produce the minutes of Council Meetings and the AGM.

**EDITORIAL:** We need a Non Executive Editor: to produce a newsletter/magazine four times a year

If you have any interest in any of the above positions please contact the BAHA Secretary via:

E.mail: [bahasecretary@btconnect.com](mailto:bahasecretary@btconnect.com)

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Thank You

Maurice Burns

### **E.G.M.**

The E.G.M. will be held at the:  
John Adams Hall,  
15-23 Endsleigh Street  
London WC1H 0DP  
On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2012  
At 11.30 am.

### **Accuracy**

**Please Note:** The Accuracy of any Content has not been verified by the Editor.

## From the Acting Vice President

Long-term BAHA members will know of my teaching/Assessor/NOS background and the two research papers into Healing and Cancer published with the help of Professor Nicky Robinson, now at the University of London, who is keen to continue the research on this subject.

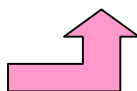
Little did I realise that I would become a statistic for Cancer Research into the second largest cancer occurrence (bowel) under Oxford University in 2010. I had previously entered their voluntary participation in 2008, and was given the all-clear.

Asked again to participate in September 2010, I confidently applied.

Called to St. Mark's bowel unit, built onto Northwick Park Hospital in November, I was informed that I was likely to be in need of intervention, subject to further tests and invited to take part in research on keyhole/traditional cut surgery. I was astonished as there were NO presenting symptoms. Every test was done speedily, for which I was thankful and a small 5mm. cancer was removed 15/12/10.

It was a VERY POSITIVE EXPERIENCE in spite of the shock, hence this article to share/reassure the journey. Having spent 28 years teaching, I was used to 'bum humour', which had to be addressed! Having asked for publicity, the Distant Healing received carried me on a real high. I was invited to talk to a post-graduate gathering seminar at the hospital. All I spoke to were surprised at my recovery and cheerful attitude.

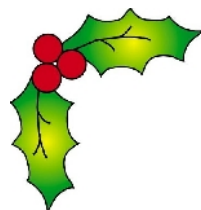
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I was pleased to tell them about the research (which had also included a previous member of their Research Department) and involvement in setting National Occupational Standards for Spiritual Healing. I am to be invited again in 2012. I have also been invited to link with another researcher in Durham on 'body image issues'. Fortunately it won't be like a page 3! The video of my operation did not include identification. Too much information? I remember as a child, adults mentioning the word cancer in a whisper. Great steps have been achieved since then and will continue. Early diagnosis, advances in equipment and the spirituality of dedicated staff prove angels abound.

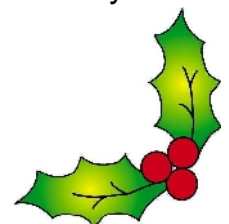
Love and thanks to all.

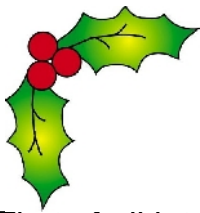
Brenda Peace.  
Acting Vice President.



It is worth remembering that: "Christmas is forever, not for just one day, for loving, sharing, giving and not to be put away like bells, lights and tinsel in some box upon a shelf. The good you do for others is also good you do yourself".

Let the spirit of love gently fill your hearts and homes this Christmas and may you find many reasons for happiness. May the love you share with others Return to you in countless ways.





## NORTHERN REPRESENTATIVE

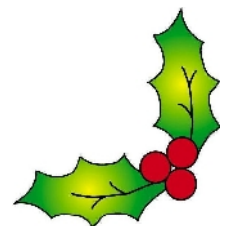
First of all let me introduce myself, my name is Dave Holmes, of the Pilgrim Healers, which consists of three UK wide healing groups, Spiritual Healers, Reiki Healers and Complementary Therapists. The Pilgrim Healers were formed as a result of many enquiries from spiritual healers throughout the Country, who are also accredited with Reiki and/or other Complementary Therapies and were looking for one association or organisation to represent them, whether it's Spiritual Healing, Reiki Healing or Complementary therapy, rather than having to renew their membership each year to different organisations. So in 1993 the Pilgrim Healers moved from being just a spiritual healing organisation, to the three group format that it is today.

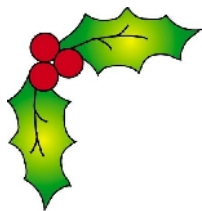
Most of you that have attended the Council of Representative or AGM meetings will know me and my Wife Sheila. (I am the quiet spoken one. Ha! Ha!) I might come across as the serious one, but believe me I am passionate about BAHA and steering it in the right direction. That's why I was so overwhelmed with the support and kind words that I got at this years 2011 AGM. It was a fantastic turn out, so much so that I said to Sheila "Have we come to the wrong venue?" to which Sheila quickly responded "You daft bat, they have all come thinking it's you that's retiring, not standing for office".

Like the Pilgrim Healers have come together to represent various healing factions, one of my greatest passions is to see a 'United Healing/Therapy Organisation' being formed by all the organisations throughout the UK coming together with the full support of the Medical Profession, Social Services and the NHS. I know that you all that know me are now screaming 'eh up' he's at it again, but trust me I do not wear a big red nose, multi-coloured suit or huge shoes; I am merely speaking from the heart. Again those who know me, know that if I have to make comments it's to advise of the correct procedure ensuring that the BAHA rules, regulations, Code of Conduct or the Constitution, which is the spine structure for BAHA are adhered to, or for guidance in the right direction purposes, and always with the ulterior motive, to steer BAHA towards hopefully becoming a united healing movement.

When I first joined BAHA, what's now known as the Council of Representatives, which is a representative from each member organisation, was known as the 'Steering Committee' and it was the steering committee that made all the major decisions with regards to finances, purchases and agreements etc. so the steering committee were in possession of minutes of all meetings of the Executive Committee, the AGM, EGM or any Sub Committees. The steering committee were all advised of decisions and then approved any such decision or agreement before they were implemented, so that the steering committee could function in accordance with Article 13, sub paragraph (a) of the BAHA Constitution, this helped maintain the transparency of BAHA.

I have made it my goal to restore the Council of Representatives to the Steering Committee, as so many of you have told me that's the way you see BAHA going into the future. This will ensure that every member organisation representative will have an equal voice in BAHA.





It will be the Steering Committee that makes all the decisions, agreements and purchases, after all without each member organisation, BAHA will cease to exist and so will my hopes for a 'United Healing Movement'. This will also ensure that we once again become transparent and ensure that we do not fall into the difficulties that we have experienced recently.

One thing that many of you have called to ask me about is the confusion over the wording for Full Healers including Reiki Healers, as some are stating 'Qualified Healer'. In 2008 the 'Fraudulent Mediums Act' came into law. Balen's our healer insurers were asked if there was a problem with claiming that a healer, whether a Spiritual Healer or a Reiki Healer at what ever level is a 'qualified healer' and their response was that according to the wording of 'The Fraudulent Mediums Act' to claim a healer was 'Qualified' could be claimed as misleading, therefore the word 'Accredited' should be used. To be classed as 'qualified' required the Student to be taught by a qualified Tutor with all the appropriate degrees for the level of healing being taught and any such degree should have been obtained through a qualified degree course at a College or University etc.

Then if the Student Healer was to have received such training, again through a qualified degree course, as above and intended to use the term 'Qualified Healer' then He or She must then obtain the appropriate additional insurance cover along the lines of the multi-therapy insurance cover. Therefore, since 2008 all healers under the BAHA Healers block insurance scheme must be termed 'Accredited' Spiritual Healer's or 'Accredited' Reiki Healer's, this includes 'Accredited' Reiki Master Teachers and 'Accredited' Spiritual Healer Teachers/Assessors.

As Northern Representative, I hope that you all will feel that you can come to me with all your BAHA membership or healing problems, what-ever that may be. I and Sheila are always here to help and to assist if needed, because if anyone no matter who it is feels that they cannot talk to me then I have failed. So come on give us a call on my new **mobile number 07530913877** or email us at [info@pilgrimhealers.com](mailto:info@pilgrimhealers.com) Please be assured I will never pass on your personal details such as your address, phone no, email etc.

On behalf of Sheila and all at BAHA may I sincerely wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas and brilliant New Year, and we all look forward to seeing you at any meetings etc, and also helping you all deal with any problems that you may seek our help with, as well as receiving your support throughout 2012.

May God bless you all and once again thank you for your kind words of encouragement.

Dave and Sheila.

