



From left: Colleen Davison, Audrey Lane, Annette Asher, and Betty Rob.

In Memoriam

We have recently lost two significant members—Annette Asher and Audrey Lane. They are memorialised below.

Remembering Annette Asher – Colleague and Friend

Jayne Hubble

In 1995 I moved to Auckland to live and work, and met Annette through the Northern Region Branch of NZAP. I was struck by her sharp mind; her thoughtfulness and professionalism; and, as we moved beyond colleagues to friends, by her warmth, humour, and generosity. Together, we worked on a local NZAP panel and attended the supervisors' group.

When I returned to Christchurch in 2001, Annette, along with other friend-colleagues, visited me and holidayed nearby following an NZAP conference. It was as if no time had passed, and our warm enjoyable connection was in place with ease.

Later, following the Christchurch earthquakes of 2010/11, I visited Annette at her home in beautiful Rainbows End and listened to her talk with passion about the local estuary environment and her work to try to prevent the development of a marina which she believed would compromise the health of the local ecosystem.

Despite long gaps in our getting together, I felt at ease and at home whenever we met. I am saddened by her death and comforted by my own memories and those shared by others at her memorial.

Jayne Hubble has been a member of NZAP since 1993. Most of her working life has been spent in Christchurch where she has a private practice offering psychotherapy, supervision, and runs a Balint group. From 1995 to early 2000s, she lived in Auckland and Hamilton; and, during that time, was on NZAP Council taking the role of Newsletter Editor, as well as other tasks.

Vale Annette Asher, 1936-2022

Louise de Lambert, Amanda Garland, and Judy White

Perhaps best known for her Directorship of AFCP for seven years from 1977, before returning to London for further training, Annette was an enthusiastic and devoted advocate of psychoanalytic theory and thought within the therapeutic community at that time.

The training modules she introduced at AFCP in the mid-1980s were very much influenced by her psychotherapy learning with Noel de Jong in Auckland. The modules attracted multidisciplinary practitioners and were greatly appreciated.

She was the Convenor of the 1998 NZAP conference, in which the model of small and large groups was introduced. This model has continued.

Annette received the Distinguished Service Award from NZAP in 2003; and was a member of the organising committee for the Introductory Course in Group Analysis in 2007.

Born in rural New South Wales, Australia, her love of the outdoors and concern for the environment remained integral to her life, especially in all her years in New Zealand; as did her love of horses along with horse riding.

Her training as a psychiatric social worker in London afforded her an opportunity to engage her love of music and opera. Two papers on Mozart's "Magic Flute" (an exploration of Mozart's inner life, 1993) and "Salome" (written by Oscar Wilde to the music of Richard Strauss, 2006) evolved from this passion and were written and presented to much acclaim in Auckland.

For those who were patients, trained or worked with, supervised by, or enjoyed a collegial relationship, Annette was an inspiration—a warm, compassionate, and gentle woman who earned genuine respect, affection, and admiration, and will long be remembered and missed.

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Remembering Audrey Lane

Jayne Hubble

I met Audrey when I moved to Auckland in 1995 to live and started working at the Lister Centre, when it still existed in Victoria St, downtown Auckland. Not long after, the Lister Centre moved to Mt Eden.

I have many memories of chatting to Audrey, many laughs, an argument or two, and confidences shared between two working psychotherapists, including the experiences of our own analyses. They were precious, snatched conversations, sometimes accompanied by delicious giggles, as we knew it was probably not good to talk outside the therapies we were having. With Audrey, it was a case of what you saw was what you got.

Although separated in age by some 20 years, we had in common our passion for psychoanalytic psychotherapy and in being two women working in the field and discovering ourselves through our personal work. I valued our friendship at that time in my life and will continue to treasure the memories.

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Louise de Lambert

Audrey Lane died on May 11, 2022 after an illness in her final year. She was my esteemed colleague and good friend. Many of us in Auckland, and beyond, can say that with deep appreciation.

Her career as a psychotherapist spans four decades and there are numerous colleagues who will have known and worked with or near her over this time. She was a stalwart of the Lister Centre in Victoria Street and then in Mt Eden. It seems a poignant coincidence that we recently heard that the Lister Centre is closing. Audrey was also a long-serving member on the staff of AFCP, the Auckland Family Counselling and Psychotherapy service. During her time there, she was one of the founding members of IPP, the Institute of Psychoanalytic

Psychotherapy and part of its original core training and subsequent teaching and professional life.

These are facts about times and places, and I have not named the many people involved over years. They give some idea of the length, breadth, and depth of Audrey's psychotherapy professional life that followed her earlier careers in nursing and social work.

I was one of the people who took on the task, and, I discovered, the privilege, of telling others the sad news of Audrey's death. In ensuing conversations, I heard of sorrow and pleasure and appreciation, which was shared with me, alongside small glimpses into the tender, light-hearted, difficult, and moving times people remembered having with her.

There is a personality trait we talk about in our trade called 'internal consistency'. This concept has come alive for me in talking with others about Audrey, as well as my own experiences and memories. It was present at her funeral among family and friends and on a Facebook post from her favourite Devonport café, Vondel, where she was a frequent and welcome patron. We were, are, all talking about the same person—our wise warm, modest, and good-hearted friend and colleague. Audrey Lane has been therapist, supervisor, workplace companion, teacher, and friend to many of us. She is fondly remembered and valued and very sadly missed.

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