

EDITORIAL

New Managing Editor Appointed



We are happy to announce the appointment of a new Managing Editor, Janet Jardine, who assumed this position in June 2007.

Janet has an MSc in toxicology (thesis dealing with the effects of fish exposure to pulp and paper mill effluents), and a BSc with Honours in environmental toxicology; both degrees are from the University of Guelph. Following four years experience as a Research Associate at Fisheries & Oceans Canada (DFO) and Environment Canada at the Canada Centre for Inland Waters, she switched her focus to protecting the physical elements of fish habitat as a Fish Habitat Biologist with DFO in the Ontario, Great Lakes Area. In her spare time, Janet earned a certificate in Fine Arts, developed expertise in various computer software programs for editing, layout, and graphics, and has a passion for the written word which will serve us, readers of the *Water Quality Research Journal of Canada*, well.

Janet took over the Managing Editor position from Kristin May who has moved onto become Science Writer and Web Coordinator with Environment Canada's Science and Technology Liaison Division. Kristin served as Managing Editor for 5 years, and was responsible for major changes in format and management which have brought the Journal to the 21st century. We are very grateful for her contributions and devotion.

Agata Durkalec, Symposium Coordinator for the CAWQ 2007 Central Symposium, expertly filled the Managing Editor role from February to May, 2007 while the competition process through Environment Canada for a new Managing Editor was undertaken. In her brief time with us, Agata not only kept manuscripts submitted for publication moving through the review, copyediting, and proofreading processes, but brought Volume 41(4) to fruition, was partially responsible for Volume 42(1), and also implemented changes to the printing and graphics procedures for the Journal. A hearty THANK YOU to Agata!

Because of these transitions, publication of the Journal has been delayed. We are doing our utmost to get back on track as quickly as possible, and ask our subscribers for their continued patience. One of Janet's first innovations has been to make accepted articles "web available" (at <http://www.cawq.ca/>), in line with modern practice of many scholarly journals, and this will mitigate somewhat the delays in publishing full issues. An ftp site is now also available for authors of approved manuscripts to upload large files (such as figure files), instead of sending a CD through the mail; this address will be provided on an as-needed basis.

Ronald Gehr, Editor