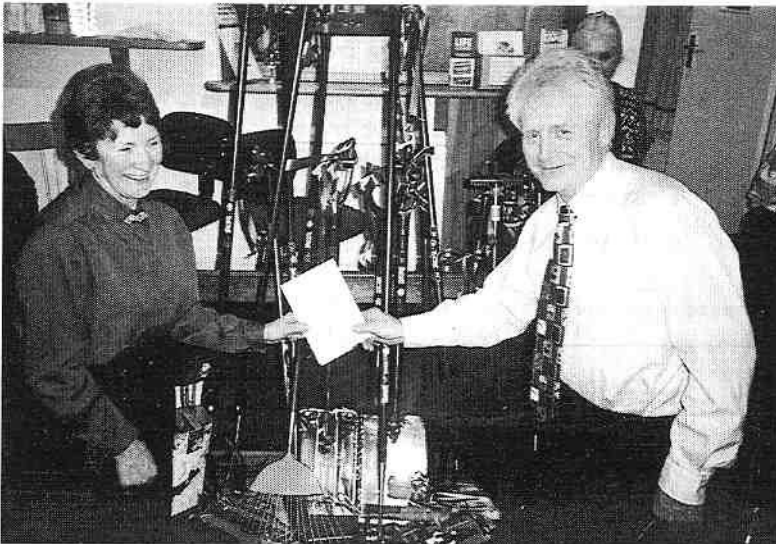


Mrs. Janet Wallace

Janet is retiring this spring. So, for over a quarter of a century she has worked for us in the Wychwood Surgery. I know that must sound an age to some, but when the more decrepit among us think about it, it is a long time. Younger people and recent arrivals could be accused of thinking she had been here for ever!

As most of you know she is the daughter of Dr. Gordon Scott who started the practice as we know it today, in 1936. Older than her brother, Sandy, she was initially reluctant to leave the independence of district nursing to become a mixture of nurse, receptionist, secretary, telephonist, typist, dispenser and friend to all. Gradually over the years, though, she has managed to pass most of these duties to others, though patients are often surprised with the ease she can adapt to a new situation.



But it is as a nurse that Janet has excelled, as anyone who has seen her in action dealing with the everyday needs of her patients, and then exploding like a bomb to cope with some

emergency, knows. Kindly, yes! Competent, certainly! Firm, indeed! Always referring to one of the doctors when proper. We have been wonderfully fortunate to have her.

Now she leaves us with a computerised system of surprising capacity, which will doubtless be declared out of date before the year is out. How could you imagine she has three grown up children and serious hobbies like singing, gardening, local history and dolls houses. Most of all it is the people she works with that interest her.

"Thank you" Janet from all your patients. May we all wish you a long and very happy retirement.

Hugh Fairgrieve