

What:

Dino Jaws

Where:

Natural History Museum,
Cromwell Road,
London SW7 5BD

When:

30 June 2006 – 15 April 2007,
open 10am-5.50pm

How much:

£8 adults, £3 concessions, free
for children aged 3 and under,
£21 family (up to 5 people, minimum
1 adult). Bookings open 1 May 2006.

Telephone:

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Website:

www.nhm.ac.uk/dino-jaws

Did T-Rex eat Tex-Mex?

From Barney, the cheerful purple dinosaur adored by little ones, to the terrifying ground shakers of *Jurassic Park*, many of us are fascinated by dinosaurs. The jagged-toothed Tyrannosaurus rex, long-necked Diplodocus and swooping Pterodactyl reigned the earth for over 100 million years, yet no one knows exactly why they became extinct. However, a new exhibition is about to open which will help you to delve deeper into the dinosaur world and investigate just exactly what they ate to survive for such a long time.

Dino Jaws begins this month at the

Natural History Museum in London, just in time for the school holidays. Designed for families with children age four and over, the exhibition will investigate the intriguing but sometimes unsavoury topic of dinosaurs and their food. Your six-year-old probably knows that T-rex was a carnivore, but do they know what Baryonyx, a dinosaur with 96 small sharp teeth, had for dinner?

Dinosaur diets varied widely, as did their methods of gathering or catching their food. At the exhibition you will be able to examine dinosaur jaws, claws, guts and even droppings, using the same techniques as real scientists.

Fossil evidence and child-friendly interactive exhibits will be complemented by nine of the most realistic animatronic dinosaurs you will have ever seen. Prepare to be astounded, as you and your children become dino-detectives. But look out – these hungry dinosaurs use their ‘senses’ to spot their prey – which may include unsuspecting visitors.

Dino-crazy kids? Check out the Natural History Museum website to play Dinosaur Defender and save the Euoplocephalus babies from the scary Dromaeosaurus raptors!

Book review

Management of medical emergencies for the dental team

Thornhill, Pemberton and Atherton

Stephen Hancocks Limited

£32.90 ISBN: 0954614542

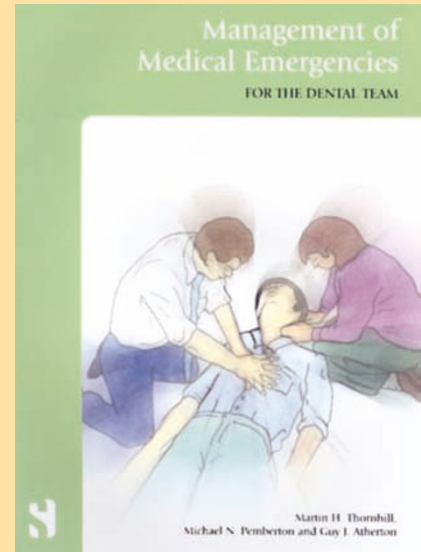
I think writing a publication for the dental team is potentially quite a tricky business. Trying to get the pitch right for all levels is not easy remembering that everyone from the receptionist to the senior dentist could potentially be reading the book. The subject and format are both winners for the authors.

The book starts off by discussing the importance of preventing a medical emergency; it also includes an excellent template for a medical history form. It leads onto a useful section on equipment and emergency drugs, giving a suggested list of drugs needed in the dental work place.

It incorporates a comprehensive diagrammatic section on the preparation of the drugs, as well as the three injection routes used for emergency drugs: intra venously, intra muscularly and subcutaneous. This is especially useful revision as these injection methods are rarely routinely used by the dental team.

The book is formatted in such a way that it makes easy reading for all levels. For each medical emergency it starts by giving a clinical scenario, highlights the causes, clearly lists the signs and symptoms, discusses the prevention and then importantly lists the facts relating to the management of the condition.

Every medical emergency protocol is referenced under a short section of back-



ground information, which gives additional detail should you want to read more.

I think this is a useful revision book for the dental office and its team. I say revision aid, as all dental professionals should receive regular training on this subject. They should not be using this book as an alternative to receiving practical hands-on training. Medical emergency protocols do change and sadly for the authors the Basic Life Support regime they have included is now out of date. New guidelines have been recently published, readers may wish to review the National Resuscitation Council website for up to date details. Visit www.resus.org.uk.
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To order this book at a discounted rate of £25 turn to page 40.

Summer Diary

The BDPMA Annual Conference

Date: 16-17 June 2006
Venue: Tortworth Court,
Wootton-under-Edge, South Gloucs
Tel: 0870 8400381
Website: www.bdpma.org.uk

The BADT Annual Scientific Meeting/AGM

Date: 16 June 2006
Venue: Marriott Hotel, Cardiff
Website: www.badt.org.uk

Opening of the DCP register

Date: 31 July 2006

Dental Showcase

Date: 5-7 October 2006
Venue: ExCeL, London
Tel: 01494 782873
Email: admin@bdta.org.uk
Website: www.dentalshowcase.com

BADN AGM

Date: 7 October 2006
Venue: ExCeL, London
Tel: 01253 338360
Email: admin@badn.org.uk
Website: www.badn.org.uk