

LtCdr. Paul Taylor (MS) RD RNR



Born February 1947 in Clapham, South London. Secondary education at Spencer Park School, Wandsworth.

1965 Laboratory Assistant, Dept. of Zoology, Birkbeck College, University of London. 1971 BSc. (Hons) Biological Sciences, University of London. Laboratory Technician (Cancer Research). MIBiol.

1971 Senior Technician, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, University of Bristol.

1983 Student Nurse, Bristol & Weston School of Nursing. 1986 RMN Community Psychiatric Nurse, Weston Area Health Trust (later Avon & Wilts. Mental Health Partnership).

April 1975 Joined HMS Flying Fox, Severn Division Royal Naval Reserve as Probationary Acting Medical Assistant. September 1975 RNMSS, RNH Haslar

and advanced to Acting Petty Officer (Medical Technician 3). May 1978 Senior Rates Leadership Course, HMS Royal Arthur. Continuous training periods at HMS Heron, HMS Seahawk, Medical SQN. RM CDO Log. Regt. (EX. Black Bear, Norway).

February 1979 Commissioned Acting SLt. (Medical Services). February 1980 RNR DO Course, HMS Excellent. November 1980 RN MS Course & Exam, RNMSS. Promoted Lt. February 1983; LtCdr. August 1989. Continuous training periods at HMS Nelson, Drake, Neptune, Osprey/FOST, Cochrane, Daedalus; RNH Haslar (Dept. Naval Psychiatry), Stonehouse, Gibraltar, MDHU Derriford, INM Alverstoke, RAMC Millbank; Medical SQN. RM CDO Log. Regt. (Ex. Rough Diamond x 2), 42 CDO RM (Ex. Mainspring, Norway), 308 Evac, Hospital RAMC (V) (MEDEX), RFA Sir Tristram (LS (L) MEDEX/EX. Floating Dock).

February 1991 Mobilised for Op. Granby (RNH Haslar, Dept. Naval Psychiatry)/ May 1991 Op. Safe Haven (RNH Stonehouse, Dept. Naval Psychiatry).

February 1997 Placed on Retired List.

Remarried 1996. Glenys and I live in Wrington, North Somerset, we have 5 grown up children between us and (at the last count) 11 grandchildren. Since retirement from the NHS, I have worked for the Royal College of Nursing as Assistant Regional Officer; Case Worker for SSAFA; member of the Bristol Committee for Seafarers UK; involvement with Combat Stress. Currently Chief Steward for Mendip Vale PROBUS.

Invited to join the Exeter Flotilla April 2015.