

HANDBOOK OF ORTHOPTIC PRINCIPLES by G.T. Willoughby Cashell, and Isobel Durran, Churchill Livingstone Publishers (Academic Press, Canada), Toronto, 4th ed., \$17.20.

This is a book written by a British ophthalmologist and an orthoptist, primarily aimed at the ophthalmologist, and ophthalmology resident.

The text leads in a logical sequence from basic anatomical and physiological development of binocular single vision, through diagnostic techniques, and then, treatment of anomalies of the binocular system.

Chapters 1, 2 & 3 lucidate the genesis of binocular vision and methods of determining any problems with the system.

The cover test is deservedly described in great detail along with other tests commonly performed in assessing binocular function. Especially well covered is the investigation and management of heterophorias.

Chapter 5, deals with anomalies of the accommodative and vergence systems and their treatment.

Chapters 6-13 describe in good detail, from first principles, the etiology both motor and sensory of strabismus.

Different types of strabismus are covered as well as their associated sensory defects.

Chapter 7 is devoted entirely to amblyopia; classification, investigation, management and prognosis.

The last part of the text deals with the surgical and non surgical treatment of different types of strabismus in a reasonably comprehensive fashion. Both diagnosis and treatment are discussed.

For those practitioners who do not, or would like to do more strabismus or binocular vision work, this is an excellent text.

The information is concise, but reasonably detailed, and presented in an easily understandable manner from first principles.

Some confusion may arise over slight differences in terminology between Britain and North America regarding sensory anomalies, but these can be easily overcome.

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CONTACT LENSES, VOL. II by Janet Stone & Anthony Phillips, Butterworths, Inc., Woburn, MA., \$79.95 (U.S.)

This is an excellent textbook for both practitioner and student alike dealing with many recent soft lens materials, advanced lens fitting techniques and post fitting care. The authors have gathered and edited material from several well known international contact lens practitioners and compiled it into this text.

The opening chapter of Volume 2 is devoted to contact lens materials which I found helped me to a better understanding of the chemical composition of lens materials available to the professional in the care of his or her patients.

Dr. R.H. Rengstorff also contributed an interesting and educational chapter on refractive changes after wearing contact lenses which has useful application in Optometric practise in arriving at more accurate prescriptions for Spectacle therapy in contact lens wearers.

As in Volume 1, the colour plate section is outstanding with a wide range of photographs presented, covering alignment and centration of toric hard lenses to physical problems arising from the implementation of soft contact lenses.

A section devoted to the fitting of toric contact lenses is contained, describing all aspects and considerations in the design and fitting of this more complex but necessary form of contact lens therapy.

Although printed in England the contents of the text in many instances are truly international and are easily applicable to the state of contact lens technology in Canada.

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Erratum

In the Canadian Optometric Contact Lens Society supplement to Volume 43, No. 4, the following acknowledgement was inadvertently omitted from the article entitled "The Effect of Cleaning Soft Lenses on the Curvature of Various Commercially Available Soft Lenses" by N.F. Burnett Hodd and G. Haig-Brown:
"Published in the Journal of the British Contact Lens Association."

We apologize for this omission.

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