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From the Editors' Desks

Ghost writers and good publication practice

"Guest authors" are a problem in medical publishing, but does this apply in other scientific fields? See page 99 for your chance to have your say on good publication practices.

Register of training courses

EASE would like to raise the profile of teaching already given by many of our members – see page 122 for how to join this register.

BELS examination

As usual, BELS will be holding their exam during EASE's conference in Pisa next year. It will take place during the afternoon of Thursday 17 September 2009.

Visiting the website

During September 2008, 842 people visited the EASE website from 70 different countries. The majority of visitors were from Europe, North America and China. After the homepage, the most popular pages were the EASE Conference, jobs, journal and Science Editors' Handbook pages.

Membership rates for 2009

Membership rates will remain the same next year, the full membership rate being £70, and retired people over 60 and students paying the

reduced rate of £35. Don't forget there is also a special rate of £47 for members of sister organisations if you can form a group of at least 10. An added bonus for next year is the reduced registration fee that EASE members pay to attend our conference in Pisa in September.

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Are there any members of EASE who are also members of AESE – we are looking for someone to liaise between the two societies. Any volunteers?

Editors' bookshelves

Help us brighten the Editor's Bookshelf section by sending along a photo of your own editing bookshelf. This issue contains some samples; we'd love to see bookshelves from around the world.

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