

THE UK COGNITIVE LINGUISTICS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER # 2

April 2008

FINALLY ... another newsletter 😊

and the focus of this issue is to ...

- Give thanks for the wonderful participation at the 2nd UK-Cognitive Linguistics conference that was held at Cardiff University last August.
- Give introductory information about the 3rd UK-Cognitive Linguistics conference, to be held at University of Hertfordshire, England. 6-8th July 2010
- Include some information about the impending new Journal, *Language and Cognition: Interdisciplinary journal of cognitive and language science*, to be published by Mouton de Gruyter.
- Upcoming events

The 2nd *UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference*

that was held at Cardiff University (Wales, UK) August 2007.

Our conference feels so long ago now, but we remain pleased at how well it went. Everything ran smoothly, which more than one delegate commented on. There were very few cancellations once the final schedule was released and everyone kept time within the panels. The speakers were also so much more diverse than the name "UK" cognitive linguistics suggests, and the communion between the delegates during every break and social activity was a joy to see. They didn't just come

from the predictable locations of the UK, West and Eastern Europe, but also Russia, Asia, the orient, the US, and as far away as the Antipodes, India, South Africa, and Brazil. The result is that papers and posters were offered on cognitive linguistics issues and findings across a wonderful range of languages and data types, and we like to think that everyone found something to discuss with others that complimented their own field of research.

We want to thank again all those who helped with so many important aspects of running a conference. These include the cognitive linguistics researchers from across the globe who made up the Scientific, Advisory committee, and who helped review the small mountain of abstracts we'd received for this conference. We happily give thanks again to Michel Achard, Frank Brisard, Alan Cienki, Hubert Cuyckens, Adam Glaz, Iraide Ibarretxe-Antuñano, Veronika Keller, Ricardo Maldonado, Gisela Redeker, Wilbert Spooren, Eve Sweetser, Linda L. Thornburg, Margaret Toye, and Satoshi Uehara. Our Plenary speakers also helped out in an advisory capacity, as well as impress us with their research and insights in their plenary lectures: Vyvyan Evans, Lynne Cameron, Seana Coulson, Klaus-Uwe Panther, Chris Sinha, and Arie Verhagen. We also want to give an extra thank you to Wilbert Spooren, whose name regrettably fell off the list in the materials distributed at the conference... you are not forgotten.

From the 120 papers and posters presented at the conference, we received nearly half for the two edited volumes projected from the outset, and we are actively busy with this project. More information will follow (hopefully soon).

In closing, we received many wonderful complements from those who came to Cardiff last year, but one that is easily remembered is "what I liked most was the atmosphere". As thrilled as we are with how well the conference went, and how much we do quietly pat ourselves on the back for a job well done... this complement goes to everyone who was there, and for that we want to also thank YOU.

June Luchjenbroers & Michelle Aldridge
(Conference organisers, Cardiff UK-CLA conference)

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The 3rd UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference

will be held at the University of Hertfordshire, 6–8th July, 2010.

This conference promises to build on the success of the previous two UK-CLCs, in providing an important event for the UK Cognitive Linguistics community (cemented in Brighton in 2005), and the international Cognitive Linguistics community at large. The conference will be concerned with all aspects of Cognitive Linguistics but will have a recurring theme of '*Meaning, Mind and (Social) Reality*'. Inter-disciplinary perspectives on meaning, mind and reality will be particularly encouraged.

The University of Hertfordshire has a modern campus offering all necessary academic as well as a range of leisure facilities in one convenient location. The University is extremely accessible given its proximity to London whilst Hertfordshire itself seems so far removed from the capital.

The organising committee

Chris Hart, Vyvyan Evans and Stephanie Pourcel

Further information will follow shortly.

Chris Hart

NEW Journal

Language and Cognition:

Interdisciplinary journal of cognitive and language science

We'd like to draw your attention to our new journal, that be launched in 2009, published by Mouton de Gruyter. You can find details about our new journal on the UK-CLA website:

<http://www.cogling.org.uk/language&cognition.htm>

We are very excited about this journal, which will initially appear twice a year, and will offer papers dealing with theoretical and/or empirical/experimental research, that focus on the interface between language and cognition.

The **Editorial Board** includes

- Seana Coulson (UC San Diego, USA),
- Daniel Casasanto (Stanford, USA),
- Vyv Evans (Brighton, UK),
- David Kemmerer (Purdue, USA),
- Laura Michaelis (UC Boulder, USA)
- Chris Sinha (Portsmouth, UK)

The **Managing Editor** is Stephanie Pourcel and a **Book Review editor** is Dylan Glynn.

A membership application form in order for people to join the UK-CLA and receive the journal is currently being formulated. *More soon....*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1 Conference on *Language, Communication & Cognition*,
to be held at the University of Brighton, 4th-7th August 2008

Information can be found at: <http://www.languageandcognition.net/> giving details on the Programme; Plenary Speakers and Travel, Registration and Accommodation

REMEMBER....

- **Early registration ends - 4th May, 2008**
- 2 Piggy-backing the Brighton, LCC conference is the
2nd UK Postgraduate Conference in Cognitive Linguistics,
University of Brighton, Grand Parade campus, 8th August 2008.

- **Registration is now open**

3 *CADAAD 2008*

(= *Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis Across Disciplines*).

This conference is soon to be held at University of Hertfordshire, England – 10–12th July, 2008, and is also organised by Christopher Hart.

Plenary speakers include:

- Professor Jan Blommaert (University of London)
Discourse and History: A Problem and its History
- Professor Piotr Cap (University of Łódź)
Axiological Proximization in Political Discourse
- Professor Jonathan Charteris-Black (University of West England)
*Rogue States and Rampant Bodies:
Metaphors of Control in Public and Private Worlds*
- Professor Teun van Dijk (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
Discourse, Communication and Knowledge
- Professor Frans van Eemeren (University of Amsterdam)
*A Pragma-dialectical Approach to the Analysis
and Evaluation of Argumentative Discourse*
- Professor Ruth Wodak (Lancaster University)
The Semiotics of Racism: European Perspectives
- **Registration is now open**
- Registrations close: 1 June 2008

Further details available from: <http://cadaad.org/cadaad08>

Other News....

This is where I'd like to report stuff about CogLing individual's career movements and achievements; new CogLing publications, and dissertations, etc... Unfortunately only one person got in touch so the news is less comprehensive than I was hoping for...

So please give us your news for the next newsletter and we will spread the news about you or your department... I promise, if I have more news to report, the newsletters will be more frequent. 😊

Publications...

A number of notable books on Cognitive Linguistics have appeared in the past year, and a notable author/editor is our own, current President of UK-CLA, Vyvyan Evans. These include the *Glossary of Cognitive Linguistics* (Edinburgh UP); and also *The Cognitive Linguistics Reader*, eds. V. Evans, BK Bergen, and J. Zinken (London: Equinox). And there's also his 2006 textbook: *Cognitive Linguistics* (with M. Green at Edinburgh UP).

We also congratulate Ewa Dabrowska's appointment as editor of the journal *Cognitive Linguistics*.

Departmental News...

Brighton University is holding an open research lecture series on the cogling-friendly theme of Language, Communication & Cognition. Full programme details at:

<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/languages/research/conferences/index.php>

Bangor University (Wales, UK) is also inaugurating three new postgraduate degree programmes, to begin Sept. 2008:

- MA in Cognitive Linguistics,
- MA in Language, Communication & Cognition.
- MA in Anthropological Linguistics.

Recruitment is open and further details can be found at
http://www.bangor.ac.uk/linguistics/listcourses_pg.php.en

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