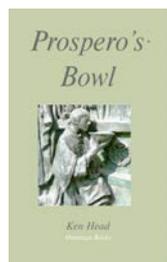# Oversteps News 27
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Years ago I used to edit a journal and, as with Oversteps, the work had to be done on a shoestring. Every quarter my lovely family, friends and neighbours would get together round my kitchen table to pack all the copies of the journal and send them out to the subscribers. Life, and technology, have moved on marvellously, and in sending out the Oversteps Newsletters I have done it by email. However, this, too, can be fairly labour-intensive, so I am now moving on, and will in future be posting the newsletters on a blog. If you are reading this, you have already opened the blog. May I encourage you, please, to 'Follow' the blog, so that you receive notification when I post a new one?

After a slight lull over the summer, I'm pleased to report that we have two Oversteps books out this week.

Prospero's Bowl by Ken Head (ISBN978-1-906856-41-0) £8

Ken Head reviews regularly for *Ink, Sweat & Tears*. George Simmers, the Editor of *Snakeskin*, writes of Ken's work: *Ken Head's poems give us life unvarnished, its difficulties, its pains, its consolations.* True.

Spool by Robert Cole (ISBN 978-1-906856-40-3) £8

Robert Cole has lived in India, Mexico, England and France, and his poetry reflects these different countries and cultures. He was, for ten years, the Editor of the magazine *Chimera*.

All Oversteps books, along with a sample poem from each collection, can be seen on our website, and can be ordered either by post or on-line from www.overstepsbooks.com.

Oversteps events coming soon

❖ Several Oversteps poets will be reading at the launch of *Broadsheet* as part of the Exeter Poetry Festival, 30th September
❖ Alwyn Marriage is reading at the Prize-winners' event at Ace Art Gallery, Andover, on Thursday 3rd October
❖ Christopher North will read at *Spanish Tapas* at the Torbay Poetry Festival on 24th October
❖ Rebecca Gethin will read at the Torbay Poetry Festival on Monday 28th October
❖ Alwyn Marriage will be leading a workshop as Poet in Residence in Winchester Cathedral on Thursday 31st October
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❖ Alwyn Marriage will be reading in Winchester Cathedral on Friday 1st November, then discussing the Creative Collisions project with artists with whom she has been collaborating

Most recent prizes and other news

Simon Williams and Susan Taylor have launched a new poetry publication, called *Broadsheet*
Joan McGavin received the Runner-up prize in the High Cross House poetry competition run by the National Trust
Ross Cogan was commended in the Ware competition
A C Clarke came second in the Segora competition
Christopher North was awarded second prize in the latest Poetry on the Lake competition, and Michael Swan and Kathleen Kummer were shortlisted
Alwyn Marriage won the BigUp Words poetry competition
Joan McGavin has become a trustee for the new Winchester Poetry Festival, starting September 2014
Mandy Pannett has been appointed Poetry Editor of Sentinel Literary Quarterly
Alwyn Marriage is Poet in Residence at the Winchester 10 Days Arts Festival this autumn
'Prospero's Bowl' by our new poet Ken Head, will be featured in Issue 202 of the ezine, *Snakeskin.*

Alwyn
Managing Editor, Oversteps Books
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