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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

After some seven years as Deputy Editor of the Bulletin of the Australian Mathematical Society, Neil Williams has decided to retire. I wish to express my thanks to Neil for many things: the amount of time he has spent in looking at up to four hundred submissions per year and the pain in turning horribly written preprints into readable articles, the effort he has put into choosing referees and chasing them up when they failed to deliver their reports on time, and the keeping up with the multiple·dialects of TEX and the computer programs to deal with mathematical typing and letter writing. But above all, I wish to thank Neil for the wise counsel he has given me over the last years while I have been Editor; I am sure that I have made some bad decisions, but I am more sure that without Neil's advice I would have made many more. So not only I, but also the Bulletin's authors over these last years, and the entire Bulletin team of Associate Editors and Editorial Assistant all owe Neil a great deal. On behalf of all of us, let me express our thanks to Neil, and wish him many happy years of retirement.

Michael Cowling