

# Obituary

## Dr Adrian Gill

Adrian Gill, FRS, the Australian theoretical fluid dynamicist/oceanographer/meteorologist, died suddenly in England on 19 April 1986, aged 49. Growing up in Melbourne, he graduated first from Melbourne University and subsequently obtained his Ph.D. from Trinity College, Cambridge in 1963. After a year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology he returned to Cambridge, where he spent the next 20 years engaged in research which covered virtually all aspects of dynamical meteorology and oceanography. In 1984 he joined the UK Meteorological Office and moved from Cambridge to Oxford where he helped to found the Robert Hooke Institute for Co-operative

Atmospheric Research.

His death constitutes a great loss to his many friends and former students and the international scientific community, who will miss his congenial and friendly manner, his many scientific contributions, and his commitment to large international scientific programs such as TOGA (Tropical Ocean Global Atmosphere). The flavour of his research is encapsulated in his excellent book *Atmosphere-Ocean Dynamics* of 662 pages, published in 1982. This work, together with his research papers, constitute a memorial which will stand for a very long time.