

# Christmas is coming...

**Unbelievable as it is, Christmas is almost here again! Time to increase your sunscreen coverage, be vigilant about your skin checks and to consider the comprehensive range of treatments available at our clinic.**



Dr Amy Stanway

WE ARE PARTICULARLY EXCITED THIS FESTIVE SEASON, AS WE WELCOME DERMATOLOGIST DR AMY STANWAY TO OUR TEAM.

Dr Stanway will add more depth to our practise, the skills she brings particularly complementary to those of Plastic Surgeon, Mr Adam Bialostocki and Dermatologist, Dr Ben Tallon. Dr Stanway moved to the Bay of Plenty in 2006 and revels in the lifestyle on offer here, which she enjoys with her GP husband and three school aged children. Amy has a particular passion for skin cancer work, particularly early detection of melanoma, inflammatory dermatoses such as eczema, psoriasis and allergies. Her desire to help people with

distressing skin diseases, achieve control of their condition and get back to a normal life, sees Amy work with people of all ages suffering from acne, and genital dermatology.

"I am excited about working at the Da Vinci Clinic with Dr Tallon and Mr Bialostocki. The Da Vinci Clinic offers me the opportunity to provide a personalised service to my clients within an expert multidisciplinary team. We are able to offer the best in skin cancer diagnosis and treatment, medical dermatology, histopathology and cosmetic skin care."

**Please call us to make your appointment with Dr Stanway.**

## 3D technology even better



At the beginning of 2012, we installed the first VECTRA® 3D camera in New Zealand in our clinic. 18 months on, Mr Bialostocki is delighted with the benefits additional software has made to this state-of-the-art technology. Not only can patients see themselves in 3D prior to their breast augmentation surgery, the camera now enables them to visualise how they will appear after breast reduction surgery or mastopexy, tummy tucks, rhinoplasty and more. It also facilitates even more precision in Mr Bialostocki's

breast reconstruction planning. "This is particularly reassuring for women who have had a mastectomy as part of their breast cancer treatment. They may have the option to have a reconstruction straight away or wait till they have completed further treatment. The computer imaging assists in a confident decision." If you'd like to enjoy the benefits of seeing yourself in 3D, please mention this when you make your booking so we can schedule the appropriate consultation time.

## THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT!

**Give a gift that shows you care.**  
New IS Clinical Eclipse 50+ Sunscreen has titanium dioxide & zinc for extra protection. Perfect for the whole family - young, mature & problematic skin too.  
IS Clinical Eclipse 50+ \$80.00  
or two for \$150.





**Did you know?** If you're concerned about a skin lesion, new freckle or mole, get it checked. Why? Because three out of every five melanoma skin cancers diagnosed, are first noticed by the person it affects most - you!



## Get armed for summer!

**Brachioplasty - or upper arm lift** - is a procedure to remove excess skin under the arms which is present as a result of massive weight loss, or age. If you want to wear sleeveless tops again, book your consultation with Mr Bialostocki to learn more about this very popular procedure.

## HOW SHOULD YOUR SKIN CANCER BE TREATED?

BEING TOLD THAT YOU HAVE SKIN CANCER CAN BE ALARMING ENOUGH, let alone having to process the information regarding its removal. Standard skin cancer surgery involves excision of the cancer following which your wound is repaired. The specimen is then sent to the laboratory and processed over a number of days. In some circumstances further surgery may then be required if your cancer is not completely removed on the first occasion. In Mohs surgery the skin cancer is excised and then immediately examined under the microscope to ensure it has been adequately removed. Mohs surgery is performed by Dr Tallon at the Da Vinci Clinic. The advantages of having MOHS with plastic surgeon Mr Bialostocki on hand to close the wound, are significant, as are

the skills of a dermatopathologist (skin pathologist). Dr Tallon has undertaken this training in the reading of skin specimens under the microscope over a number of years, so is highly qualified to diagnose when the area is clear of cancer cells. He immediately views the specimen, checking for any remaining cancer cells. If this is not clear, further excision is undertaken straight away until the area is completely clear. This is all done in the one day removing not only the skin cancer but the anxiety associated with having to wait sometimes up to several days for results, return to theatre for more surgery and again, the wait to learn if the area has been successfully cleared or not. Should you require a reconstructive closure, Mr Bialostocki will ensure you the best aesthetic outcome possible.

## Refresh & rejuvenate

We have a skilled team of appearance medicine nurses at the Da Vinci Clinic who are up to date in the latest techniques in this field and dedicated to achieving subtle, youth-enhancing results that will leave you looking refreshed and rejuvenated. Did you know that Dermatologist Dr Ben Tallon and Plastic Surgeon Mr Adam Bialostocki also perform injectable treatments? Using dermal fillers and Botox® fine lines can be plumped out and fullness restored to areas that lose volume as we age. **Call us now for your pre-Christmas treatment.**

# BIO Skin

## crème de la crème!

This moisturiser has been specifically manufactured for dry skins, and those with eczema/dermatitis and psoriasis. Its light formulation makes it perfect for an all over body cream.

**BIOSkin Cream 400gms & BIOSkin Myrtle 50gms introductory offer: \$15**

**CHRISTMAS HOURS** - The Da Vinci Clinic will be closed for the Christmas break from Friday 20th December to Monday 6th January.



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