

Congratulations!!!

To Sylvia Brown and Steve Wright on the birth of their baby son Marcus Andrew who was born by emergency caesarean at the Jessop Maternity Hospital, Sheffield, on October 22nd. He arrived a couple of weeks early and weighed in at 5lbs 9oz.

Sylvia says of the birth: "Suddenly all hell broke loose and I was attacked from all sides by doctors, anaesthetists, nurses



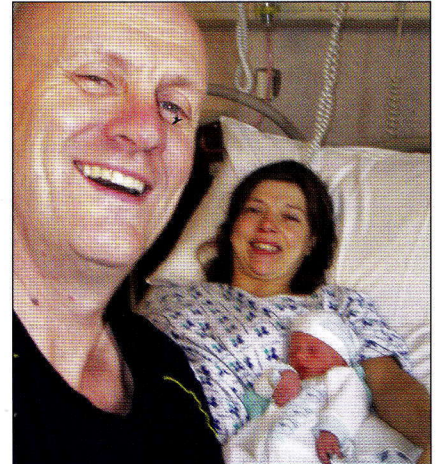
Baby Marcus

and goodness knows who else! I also needed the loo but there was no time.

They shoved a catheter in and I was transferred to a trolley and wheeled into the delivery room. I had no choice but to let it all happen! Steve was given a green gown and mask, which made him look like George Clooney (and very sexy with it!) The baby arrived feet first by caesarean. I could feel what they were doing, but without any pain. It was a very surreal experience.

The video Steve took of these first moments are pretty magical. He said to his baby 'Welcome Marcus to planet earth...it's PARTY TIME'."

Sylvia stayed in hospital for a week getting to know her new baby and recovering from the surgery. "It was very tough. I found it hard to sleep in the



A happy day for Steve and Sylvia

short periods at night when Marcus slept and it hit me just how much care I needed myself."

Since they've been back home, with Steve sharing the night shift, Sylvie has needed the help of friends, family and paid help to survive the constant demands of motherhood and MS.

But, looking on the bright side, she says: "Our little boy is healthy and beautiful. The best thing is that he really is thriving and doing everything a baby should!!!"

MS And Childbirth Survey

The Primal Health Research Centre, run by Dr Michel Odent, is carrying out a survey on MS and Childbirth and would like to receive your answers to the following questions. We will publish the results in New Pathways.

Part One. For Everyone With MS

Which year were you born? _____

In which country? _____

Were you born in hospital? ☐ At home? ☐

Other? _____

If you were born by the vaginal route:

Was the labour induced? ☐

Did you have forceps or ventouse? ☐

Other known facts regarding your birth? _____

If you were born by caesarean:

Was it a caesarean after induction of labour? ☐

Was it a planned caesarean? ☐

Was it a caesarean during labour? ☐

Part Two. For Mothers Who Have MS

Which year(s) were they born? _____

In Which country? _____

In hospital? ☐ At home? ☐

Other? _____

If they were born by the vaginal route:

Was the labour induced? ☐

Was the delivery with forceps or ventouse? ☐

Other known facts about the births? _____

If they were born by caesarean:

Was it a caesarean after induction of labour? ☐

Was it a planned caesarean? ☐

Was it a caesarean during labour? ☐

Thank you for taking part. Please cut this out and send completed questionnaires to:

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