

Dr John Flutter was born in England and went to university in London. He qualified as a dentist in 1972 and worked in general practice in London for five years.

From the first day in general practice John started to provide orthodontic care for his patients. In those days it was work under the National Health Service and patients who required orthodontic treatment could be referred to a specialist orthodontist for diagnosis and a treatment plan. The specialist then advised on treatment and the patient could be referred back at any time later if he needed help. In this way John developed his treatment skills and gained experience.

After five years of working in London John sold his house and practice and bought a Land Rover and drove to Australia. After a short period of work in Melbourne and Seymour in Victoria he moved to Gladstone, Queensland in 1979 and opened a new practice continuing to provide some orthodontic care. John continued to attend courses to improve his orthodontic skills, and as the skills and knowledge improved, orthodontics became a large part of his practice until he was doing no other treatment at all.

After completing numerous courses in Australia, Europe and the United States, John spent time with specialist orthodontists to learn more. He passed an examination with the International Association of Orthodontics in Hawaii in 1995.

John was elected president of the Australian Association of Orofacial Orthopaedics and is still the Queensland president of the same association.

In 1996 John Flutter was asked to lecture at the first Australian Symposium on Dentofacial Orthopaedics. The lecture was well received and as a result, over the next three years, was asked to lecture in London, Canada, Spain, Malaysia, and again in Australia. He was one of the first dentists to use computer generated presentations and use video images.

In 1999 after a lecture in Spain John was approached to lecture for Myofunctional Research Company initially in Europe. He agreed, and as a result, has now visited over 60 different countries (some many times) throughout the world lecturing to dentists and orthodontists. At two conferences he has been voted the best presentation at the conference by the delegates, and received the highest score ever at one meeting in the US in 2003.

John now works six days a month in Gladstone providing only orthodontic care. The remainder of the month he travels and lectures.

In February 2007 John opened his first "Orthodontic Early Treatment Centre" in Brisbane. He treats children and adults of all ages but likes to focus on children 5-9 years old while they are still growing.

John has designed the centre to deliver myofunctional therapy to the maximum number of children at an affordable price. He holds training, breathing and postural classes with up to eight children at a time.