

HISTORY OF MEDICINE SOCIETY OF WALES ANNUAL REPORT – 2011

The History of Medicine Society of Wales has 280 members and has enjoyed another successful year. There have been 4 meetings with 80 - 100 attendees at each meeting.

A summary of the Dates, Venues, Speakers and Topics is below and abstracts of the lectures will be published on the HOMSW website www.homsw.org.uk

The Society is affiliated to the Welsh Museum for Health and Medicine and its collection of Medical Artefacts can be viewed on the museum website www.wmhm.org.uk. Please email the administrator if you have any information or personal anecdotes about the artefacts, to bring the collection alive.

The Society wish to thank Professor Geraint M Roberts CBE for his contribution to the success of HOMSW this year as President. He has been a most able Chairman at all 4 meetings and devoted a considerable amount of time and energy to ensure that everything ran smoothly. His invited speakers were of a very high standard and his own Presidential address "A 50 year follow up" provoked a lively debate about Medical Education at the Autumn meeting.

This year for the first time, three Medical Students were selected to give presentations of their choosing to the meeting and were awarded a total of £200 by HOMSW for their excellent papers. We hope this will become an annual event. The Society wish to record their appreciation of the technical support at the meetings of Dr Malcolm Puntis, Dr Peter Lloyd Jones, Secretary of the Welsh Museum of Health and Medicine and Dr David M J Williams Hon. Treasurer for his expertise in keeping the accounts in order.

HOMSW PROGRAMMES FOR MEETINGS HELD IN 2011.

Spring Meeting at the Imperial Hotel Llandudno LL30 1AP

Friday afternoon 15th April 2011

Chairman: The president

Programme:

12.00 md Lunch

01.30 pm The Annual General Meeting

02.00 pm "A 50 year follow up" - Professor Geraint M Roberts Cardiff

02.15 pm "Hospital Infections - then and now" - Dr David Powell Carmarthen

03.00 pm "'Archie - man of genius with feet of clay!" - Professor Peter Elwood Cardiff

03.45 pm Tea

04.15 pm "A Potpourri of Devices and Potions" - Professor Terry Turner Cardiff

05.00 pm End of meeting

Summer Meeting at the National Library of Wales SY23 3BU

Friday afternoon 24th June 2011

Chairman: The President

Programme:

12.30 pm Lunch

01.30 pm "The Old Wrexham Infirmary 1875 – 1905" - Mr Eurig Jeffreys Wrexham

02.15 pm "The History of Rhesus Disease" - Dr Jo McHugo Birmingham

03.00 pm "Medical Politics in 19th Century Hereford" - Dr Henry Connor Hereford

03.45 pm Tea

04.15 pm "Early Welsh Women Doctors" - Professor Neil McIntyre London

05.00 pm End of meeting

Autumn Meeting at the Plas Hyfryd Hotel Narbeth SA67 7AB

Friday afternoon 16th September 2011

Chairman: The President

Programme:

12.00 pm Lunch
01.30 pm "*Bush Doctor in Africa*" - Dr David Webster Worcester
02.15 pm "*David Davies of Llandyfaelog*" - Professor Bryan Hibbard Cardiff
02.45 pm "*The Welsh Museum of Health and Medicine - A Progress Report*" - Dr Peter Lloyd Jones
03.15 pm "*Where are they now?*" - Dr Alun Roberts Cardiff
04.00 pm Tea
04.15 pm "*A 50 year follow up*" - Professor Geraint M Roberts Cardiff
05.00 pm End of meeting

Winter Meeting at the Manor Parc Hotel Thornhill Cardiff

Friday afternoon 4th November 2011 CF14 9UA

Chairman: The President

Programme:

12.00 MD Lunch
01.30 pm "*Samuel Pepys and his Doctors*"
Mr Alan Amias London
02.15 pm "*William Cuming – an 18th Century Dorset Physician*" Dr Peter Down, Dorchester
03.00 pm Medical students Papers
 1. Simply put, Music can Heal - Hannah Luckhurst
 2. Attitudes towards Abortion in the 19th Century - Louise O'Gorman
 3. How has the changing nature of war affected the development of Plastic Surgery? - John Creamer
03.45 pm Tea
04.15 pm "*Baron Dupuytren*" - Dr K T Rajan Cardiff
05.00 pm End of Meeting.

DATES AND VENUES FOR 2012

40th Anniversary of HOMSW

Spring Meeting at the Imperial Hotel Llandudno LL30 1AP
Friday afternoon 30th March 2012

Summer Meeting at the National Library of Wales SY23 3BU
Friday afternoon 29th June 2012

40th Anniversary Meeting at the Manor parc Hotel Thornhill CF14 9UA
Friday afternoon 26th October 2012

Guests Welcome to all meetings which will be chaired by the President for 2012
Dr S Jeanne Seager FRCA

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