

Minutes of Oral Surgery Club of Great Britain Annual General meeting held at the Thistle hotel Newcastle upon Tyne Thursday November 11th 2006.

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Apologies.

Mr H Alty . Mr J Cawood Mr M Corrigan Mr B Devauchelle Mr P Egyedi  
Mr G Emerson Mr B Fickling Mr J Gorman Mr W Gray Mr T Hall Mr I  
Heslop Mr D James Mr P James Mr P Leopard Mr McGurk Mr D Mason  
Mr D Matthews Mr P McAndrews Professor R Meyer Professor K Moos  
Mr B Morgan Professor H Obwegeser Mr T Quant Professor S Reinert  
Mr P Robinson Mr C Rowse Mr A Sear Mr P Selwyn Professor J Shah  
Mr D Smith Mr J Williams

Announcements.

David Vaughan has resigned from the club  
John Cawood and John Frame had retired from clinical practice  
Eric Morgan had obtained a PhD in history  
Gordon Hardman had passed away.

John Bradley gave a fond tribute to Gordon Hardman was elected as a member of the club in 1959 and was president in 1972 when the club met in Rhyll, his overseas meeting was the first to be held being the iron curtain, in Prague. Gordon Hardman was a member of the generation of surgeons who started the speciality in the United Kingdom, he became President of the BAOS and his meeting in Llandudno was particularly memorable. Gordon has a particular interest in post graduate teaching, he had many post graduate students visiting his unit many from central America and he became a visiting Professor there after he retired from clinical practice. The secretary has sent written appreciation and condolence to his family. The members stood in silence in memory of Gordon Hardman.

Minutes of the last meeting.

Were approved

Matters arising (not already on the agenda)

None

Hon Treasurers report.

The finances of the club were in good shape. The meeting in Belfast has produced a surplus of £1424.27. The club presently had assets of £8502.07 and there were no outstanding debtors from previous meetings.

David Adlam and Geoff Cheney were appointed from the floor to audit the accounts of the club.

#### Hon Secretaries Report.

The secretary reported that there were now 47 active and 60 retired members. He gave a report on the last overseas meeting:

*"About 25 members and partners joined Richard and Jennifer in Groningen, where we stayed at a delightful hotel, the Schimmelpennik Huys. The meeting began on Wednesday evening when we gathered at the Hospital for a welcome reception hosted by Dr de Bont and Dr Spijkervet. At this, we were introduced to the department staff and shown around their modern and spacious facilities. The hospital itself is a work of modern architecture, a number of highly-colourful buildings linked under a large expanse of covered walkways. After the reception, the whole Club group retired to a restaurant in the town centre for a relaxing informal dinner.*

*The following morning. Club members were welcomed to the department lecture room for a day of presentations from the staff. Topics covered included implant surgery, oral medicine, oral oncology research, aspects of TMJ surgery, facial pain and related research, distraction osteogenesis, and resorbable material research. The day was punctuated by coffee and tea breaks and a pleasant lunch in the department with the surgical team.*

*Whilst Club members were busy, the ladies were treated to a trip to Winschoten for a tour around the famous steam mill with an English-speaking tour guide, followed by a visit to the Bleu City, a modern development on reclaimed land.*

*Richard had intended the evening to be free for people to explore the town, but most of the group decided that a dinner together was preferable and we had a very pleasant evening of excellent food and wine at the restaurant "Tijdloos", recommended by our hosts.*

*Friday morning started early with a breakfast at the unit at 07.45 followed by the presentation of a series of cases for discussion by members of the home team. This was followed by a series of presentations on the state of training and medical politics in the region.*

*Lunch was again served in the unit's reception area and we were joined by our partners, following which we were taken on a conducted tour of the city which was very interesting, although punctuated by a couple of heavy showers.*

*On Friday evening the Club entertained our hosts at a dinner, held in a very nice hotel in the city centre. The food, wine and*

*company were very good; the Club presented Dr de Bont with a book for his departmental library, and a good time was had by all".*

The secretary advised that the committee had suggested that in future the President of the club might be appointed two years in advance. This was agreed by the members and passed.

The secretary read a letter from the most senior member of the club Mr Ben Fickling who apologised that due to his health he regretted that he was unable to attend the meeting.

The secretary was thanked from the floor for his good offices over the past three years.

#### President.

Richard Kendrick now handed over the chair to John Hawkesford as the new president.

#### President Elect

The secretary advised that the committee had recommended Graham Wood as president for 2008 and Mike Simpson for 2009. This was proposed, seconded and passed.

#### Retirement and new members.

Consequent upon the one resignation and two retirements there were three vacancies for new active members. The committee suggested Mick Gillhooley, Phil Earl and Andrew Mclean. They were proposed and seconded from the floor.

John Hawkesford advised that his overseas meeting was to be held in Hamburg from May 3rd and 4th May 5th 2007. It would be hosted by Thomas Kreuzsch who was a guest at the present meeting and intended to give a presentation tomorrow.

Tony Markus advised that the home Presidential meeting would be held in Poole on Nov 15th to 17th 2007. This date coincided with the meeting of the International Association of Oral & maxillofacial Surgeons in India and there was some debate whether to change the date to accommodate this but it was decided to leave it as it was. His overseas meeting would be in Milan from May 21st to 23rd 2008.

#### Any other business.

There was further discussion about the issue of partners attending the annual dinner. Bob Tate was concerned that with greater attendance there might be problems finding a venue for the dinner

of suitable quality which would have sufficient rooms for the whole group. He asked if the matter might be revisited in the future should circumstances change. The secretary advised that the club had voted 21 to 18 against have segregated dinners. Peter banks felt this was not a convincing enough number. Richard Juniper spoke in favour of the vote standing. It was felt that it would be unconstitutional to change the result of the vote, particularly as it was brought up under any other business, and the meeting felt that the matter should be considered again at the AGM in two years time in the light of experience.

Mr Henderson suggested that the club should decide what proportion of the club was necessary to change the rules of the club in future.

John Hawkesford formally thanked the outgoing president Richard Kendrick and the secretary Bob Woodward for their hard work for the club.

The meeting concluded.

The next meeting will be held in Poole on 15th November 2007.