

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

I JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2015

1. Report of the Annual General Meeting 2015

The forty-sixth Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on Sunday, 29 March 2015 at the Roker Hotel, Sunderland.

The report is annexed (Appendix A).

2. Meetings of Committee

The Committee met three times during the year and at the meeting on 27 July 2015 the following office-bearers were elected:

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| President: | Mr R T Allcorn |
| Vice-President: | Mr P G Homan |
| Hon. Treasurer: | Mrs D Bishop |
| Hon. Secretary: | Mr P G Homan |

Committee members who have served this year:

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| Mr R T Allcorn | (13) |
| Dr S C Anderson | (15) |
| Mr J Betts | (Co-opted 13) |
| Mrs D Bishop | (13) |
| Dr S Ellis | (14) |
| Mr P G Homan | (15) |
| Ms B Hudson | (13) |
| Miss D A Hutton | (15) |
| Dr M H Jepson | (14) |
| Mr R C Mills | (14) (Resigned 2015) |
| Mr C G Murray | (13) |
| Dr M Nesbitt | (Co-opted 2015) |
| Mr A Wade | (15) |
| Mr T E Whaley | (14) |

Membership

Total membership at 31 December was 178, changes having been noted as follows:

New 5 Deceased 1 Resigned 2 Removed 0

New

Dr Annette Rubery, Lichfield
Mrs Julie Wakefield, St Albans
Prof Darrin Baines, Leominster
Dr Susan Heydon, Dunedin, N.Z
Ms Carol Lange, Groby

Deceased

Mr Noel Stowe

3. Meetings

Monday 9 February 2015

A joint evening meeting with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society at Lambeth. Mark Nesbitt presented a paper entitled 'Tropical Plants in British Pharmacy'. This was the last meeting to be held at the RPS, Lambeth.

Wednesday 10 June 2015

A visit to the Museum of the British Dental Association.

Monday 27 July 2015

A Joint evening meeting with the Friends of the Archives of the Society of Apothecaries. Mr John Betts hosted a tour of the new headquarters of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society at 66 East Smithfield, London.

Monday 12 October 2015

A joint evening meeting with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society at East Smithfield. Garden Historian Andrew Sankey presented a paper entitled 'Joseph Banks'.

Tuesday 10 November 2015

A joint meeting with Medway School of Pharmacy. Catherine Dewsbury presented a paper entitled 'History of the Pocket Prescriber - a small talk about a small book'.

5. Annual Spring Conference, Roker Hotel, Sunderland, 27-29 March 2015

Thirty-six people attended this year's conference.

Dr John Crellin and Mr Peter Homan were awarded Leslie Matthews Medals.

Papers presented were:

Peter Homan – *Pharmacist Heal Thyself: human medicine*

Shirley Ellis – *Who and What was William Coles?*

Renzo Console – *Old Italian Books Written By, For or About Pharmacists*

Nicholas Wood – *1815 and the Pharmaceutical Apothecaries*

Susan Heydon - *Pharmacy at Otago: 50 years of university level pharmacy education in New Zealand*

Stuart Anderson – *The good, the bad and the overzealous - Life and work of 3 Quaker Apothecaries*

Laura Ghiggino (Burnby Award Lecture) - *Chemicals, Herbs and Liquors: Medicines in 1914.*

Professor Malcolm Hooper – *History of Sunderland School of Pharmacy*

Dinner on Saturday was followed with a 'Betel Drive'.

6. Pharmaceutical Historian

Four issues of the Pharmaceutical Historian (Vol. 45, Nos. 1,2,3,4), edited by Ainley Wade, were published during the year in March, June, September and December.

7. Appreciations

The Committee records its warm appreciation to the Royal Pharmaceutical Society for the assistance with facilities for meetings and to Mr John Betts, Keeper of Museum Collections, at the Museum of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and their team, for their help with many of the historical enquiries received by BSHP.