



A Message from the President

Dear Colleagues,

In the modern NHS transparency has taken on a new meaning. Ministers, judges, advisors, pundits and commentators have determined that transparency costs nothing and is now imbued with an almost supernatural power to improve the quality of our health care. Who would argue that the open publication of the results of surgical care is anything but a good thing? If only it were that simple. For any human enterprise a consistent relationship exists between quality, timeliness and cost. High quality products may be produced quickly but are rarely cheap. So it is with surgical outcome data. The cardiac and vascular surgery outcomes published in June have between them cost millions of pounds and many years to deliver. They are not perfect. The publication of the results of several other national audits has been postponed because of serious concerns regarding the quality, validity and interpretation of the data.

Neurosurgery is characterised by a complex and diverse mix of elective and emergency work with outcomes that depended critically on case selection, disease severity, multi-disciplinary working and supporting infrastructure. The SBNS is committed to the publication of outcome data, but that data must be truly representative of the quality of neurosurgical services and the contribution of individual surgeons.

The framework for Neurosurgical National Audit Programme has now been agreed. The programme will be directed by a NNAP Governance Committee. This committee will oversee the quality assurance of the programme; liaise with regional units and advise on the management of outliers, publish reports and communicate with public bodies. Separate committees will manage audits

and benchmarking based on national datasets including HES data and Cancer Registries and a full range of subspecialty audits.

How will this programme be funded? If there is to be transparency regarding surgical outcomes, there must be an equal measure of transparency regarding the resources required to collect, analyse, report and act on the findings. As a first step we are establishing the neurosurgical audit activity and supporting infrastructure in our 35 regional units.

There is a substantial body of evidence supporting the view that subspecialisation has contributed to improvements in the outcome of patients with specific conditions or undergoing specific procedures. In the last 10 years I am aware of very few consultant neurosurgical appointments that did not require a subspecialist interest. How many neurosurgeons feel that they do not provide better care as a result of developing subspecialist expertise? Who would argue that surgical subspecialisation is anything but a good thing?

If only it were that simple. William Halstead said "every important hospital should have on its resident staff of surgeons, at least one who is well and able to deal with any emergency that may arise". 120 years later we still need emergency competent neurosurgeons and we still need neurosurgeons that are willing and capable of supporting the general work of a regional neurosurgical unit to the benefit of all patients.

So, I will argue that slavish, even rigid, adoption of sub-specialisation has become a two-edged sword. There is, for obvious reasons, no body of work examining the adverse effects of subspecialisation on the totality of service provision. If we define a specialist as someone who spends more than 50% of their time in that field, they cannot by definition have equivalent or relevant expertise in other

fields. To my mind the creation of 'mono-specialists' early in their careers risks limiting career development and creating isolation, rigidity and ultimately professional burn-out. There is now a strong case for developing subspecialist practice in a way that promotes the best outcomes for all patients.

As the workload of the SBNS increases we are becoming increasingly dependent on electronic communication. I anticipate that this will be the last paper newsletter from an SBNS President. Ballots will take place electronically. The website is being steadily developed. Our commissioning and audit work will be hosted on the website. We will explore the introduction of individual profiles on the website to support member's professional activities. An SBNS access app has been developed for iOS and may be downloaded from the Apple app store. An android app is under development and will be available soon.

On a lighter note, I leave you with the weekend pronouncement from our Secretary of State that without reform the NHS will be unsustainable in 10 years time. This represents an impressive learning curve, but does leave one wondering what the purpose of the most recent reform was? Kind regards,



Richard Nelson
President, SBNS

Welcome to New Members

The following memberships were ratified at the SBNS Business Meeting held on 23rd May 2013 in Sheffield.

Full

Aabir Chakraborty	Southampton
Richard Mannion	Cambridge
Huma Sethi	London
Surash Surash	Newcastle
John Yianni	Sheffield
Dev Bhattacharyya	Sheffield
Thomas Santarius	Cambridge
Zaid Sarsam	Liverpool

Associate

Saira Alli	Leeds Gen Infirmary
John Charles Duddy	Beaumont Hosp. Dublin
Patrick Grover	Royal London Hospital
Jonathan Hempenstall	Southampton
Laurent J. Livermore	John Radcliffe, Oxford
Jonathan Pestic-Smith	Royal Victoria Infirmary
Rohitashwa Sinha	Addenbrooke's Hospital
Oluwaseun Sobowale	Southern General
Anna Solth	James Cook
Jamie Wilson	Leeds Gen Infirmary
Kathrin Whitehouse	Plymouth
Julie Woodfield	Glasgow
Omar Yaseen	Derriford Hospital
Jane Halliday	Manchester
Laura Davies	Birmingham

Affiliated

Aonghus Ansari	Papworth Hospital
AlexandrosBoukas	Royal Victoria Infirmary
Giunio BrutoCherubini	Dick White Referrals
Delour Fam	Ninewells Hospital
Rhodri Jones	Addenbrookes
Lara Meilak	London
William Scotton	Cambridge
Claudia Craven	London
Soumya Mukherjee	London
Oruaro Onibere	Edinburgh
Daniela Ivan	London
Ayman Ashabi	Wales
Emma Gosnell	Nottingham
Manaka Paranathala	Oxford
Geraint Sunderland	Liverpool
Sean Martin	Scotland

International

Gopal Raman Sharma	Nepal
Nicole Keong	Australia
Ishaq Ghanem	Jordan
Kelvin Woon	New Zealand
Nilaksha Kumarasinghe	Sri Lanka
Ravi Sharma	India

Senior

Ian Whittle	Western General Hospital
Phil van Hille	Leeds
Michael Powell	London

Changes to SBNS Membership Rules:

The SBNS Council has agreed to the following membership rule changes which will come into effect immediately.

1. Conversion of Associate Membership to Full Membership will become automatic upon appointment to a substantive Consultant Neurosurgical Post in the UK and Ireland. Newly appointed Consultants should contact the SBNS Membership Secretary, Alix Gordon admin2@sbns.org.uk so that she may make the change.

2. Any Consultant Neurosurgeon in the UK and Ireland who is currently a non-member is eligible to become a Full member of the SBNS without the

necessity to present a paper at an SBNS meeting. All applications are via the Membership page on the SBNS website.

These rule changes are to further increase the SBNS full membership amongst our consultant body in order that we may better represent UK and Irish Neurosurgery at national and international levels.

If you know of any neurosurgeon in your unit who is not a member please inform them of these changes and encourage them to join.

Neil Kitchen
SBNS Honorary Secretary

New SBNS Appointments



President Elect
Richard Kerr, Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford

Congratulations go to Richard Kerr who has recently been appointed as President Elect and will take over from Mr Richard Nelson as President of the SBNS in September 2014. Richard has been a Consultant Neurosurgeon in Oxford for 23 years and throughout that time has made major contributions to the SBNS as an SBNS council member for 7 years and Treasurer of the SBNS since 2010. He is recognised for his thoughtful and balanced judgements. His leadership abilities are reflected in his recent appointment to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons. To have a neurosurgeon of his standing on the Council, championing neurosurgery will benefit the SBNS and its members. Richard has a detailed understanding of the fast moving changes to the NHS and their impact on neurosurgical practice. He is in a strong position to lead the Society as its next President. The call for nominations for his replacement as SBNS Treasurer has been sent out to the membership. Members are encouraged to apply for this important post, the successful candidate will be announced at the AGM.



Meetings Secretary
Martin Wilby, The Walton Centre, Liverpool

Originally from Yorkshire, Martin trained in Cambridge as an undergraduate and medical student. Having enjoyed the undergraduate experience, he joined the MB-PhD program studying "Brain Repair" using peripheral nerve cells. Following an initial neurosurgical job in Leeds he went back to Cambridge to complete neurosurgical training. During this time Martin spent a year in Adelaide completing a combined orthopaedic/neurosurgical spinal fellowship. He was subsequently appointed to a complex spine /neurosurgical post in Liverpool in January 2009.

As the new Meeting Secretary he will work with the programme committee to deliver meetings that reflect the interests of the hosts and incorporate suggestions from the membership. The Autumn meeting will be his first meeting as Meetings Secretary. Martin aims to build on the work of the previous meetings secretaries, to increase attendance and introduce a range of innovations.



Council Members
Eric Ballantyne, Ninewells Hospital, Dundee

After completing his training in Liverpool, Eric has been a consultant in Dundee for 13 years in a mainly consultant delivered service in the smallest UK unit. A general neurosurgeon with interests in pain and paediatrics, he was educational supervisor and the unit training representative 2004-10. He has over 12 years of experience working on national groups including NICE. He was the Clinical Lead since 2008; from 2009 has also been National Clinical Director of the Scottish Managed Service Network for neurosurgery. He now has unique personal experience dealing with NHS Scotland as it increasingly diverges from NHS England and Wales. Collaboration, audit and networking are starting to produce improvements in neurosurgical care and he has championed novel approaches to the challenges of waiting times, the EWTR and multispecialty working. He will bring a fresh approach to the SBNS Council, promoting the wider involvement of neurosurgeons with other specialties to achieve improvements in patient care.



Rodney Laing, Cambridge University Hospital, Cambridge

Rod has been a consultant for 17 years. His specialty is spinal neurosurgery and he has pioneered the development of an integrated neurosurgical and orthopaedic spinal service within the department of neurosurgery. He spent 3 years as Clinical Director and during this time he was highly effective and was able to implement considerable change. Rod also spent 10 years as Programme Director for the Eastern Deanery and during this time convened spinal surgical courses at the College.

He led the amalgamation of BCSS with BASS and joined the executive of the new combined society. Rod's research is clinical and focused on measurement of outcome.

Rod believes very strongly that spinal surgery is an integral part of neurosurgery. He has built up strong links with BASS and colleagues in orthopaedic spinal surgery. He will provide Council with valuable advice as spinal surgical practice evolves in this country.



SBNS National Neurosurgical Outcomes Research and Audit Manager Anna Jenkins

The SBNS are pleased to announce the appointment of Anna Jenkins as the SBNS National Neurosurgical Outcomes Research Audit Manager. She joins us from Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust where she was one of a team of Research Governance Coordinators supporting investigators and research teams conducting research within Addenbrooke's and the Rosie Hospitals. Prior to this, she worked as an Information Officer for a medical charity; authoring several patient and health professional publications and developing the content of an online patient decision aid for disease modifying therapies.

Anna will be based in The Walton Centre and will be working closely with Paul May, the SBNS Vice President and Chair of the newly formed Clinical Reference Group for Audit and Neurosurgery.

Farewell to Brigitte

Farewell and thanks to Brigitte Lavoie, SBNS Research Development Manager. Brigitte left the SBNS on the 4 July. She worked for the SBNS on a temporary contact for 3 years, during which time she helped set up the UK Neurosurgery Research Network (UKNSRN) develop the research section of the SBNS Website and worked closely with the SBNS Academic Committee. We wish her well in her new post.

Examination Results

The following candidates passed their FRCS (SN) examinations which were held in Newcastle in March 2013. Congratulations to all and many thanks to the local organiser Justin Nissen.

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| Mr A C Amato-Watkins | Mr V Kakar |
| Mr V Apostolopoulos | Mr A A Khan |
| Mr H Ben Ali | Mr S Metcalfe |
| Mr D J Coope | Mr A A Moussa |
| Mr N De Pennington | Mr S Muquit |
| Mr G K Eralil | Mr S J Panikkar |
| Miss S Hettige | Ms H Pulhorn |
| Mr M M Hussain | Mr M K C H Teo |
| Mr J A Hyam | Mr I A Ughraddar |
| Mr H Ingale | Mr B Zebian |

Request for Exam Writers

The Intercollegiate Specialty Board in Neurosurgery would like to recruit new members to its MCQ Writing Group. The group, which is distinct from the panel of FRCS (Neuro) examiners, consists of UK Consultant Neurosurgeons and is responsible for producing and maintaining a high quality, educationally sound, Part 1 FRCS (Neuro) examination. The group meets at the same time as the oral writing group and is mainly made up of consultants in the early years of consultant practice and is supervised by both the board chairman and chairman of the writing group. You would be willing to write and critically review both Single Best Answer and Extended Matching Item questions and attend meetings of the Writing Group twice a year. If interested, applicants should consult the writing guide regarding the format of the questions.

(http://www.nbme.org/PDF/ItemWriting_2003/2003IWGsectionII.pdf).

Applicants should submit a short CV to **Miss Gillian McLaren**, Question Bank Manager, at g.mclaren@intercollegiate.org.uk by 11th October 2013.

Please contact **Mr Bill Taylor** (Board Chairman) William.Taylor@NHS.net or **Miss Gillian McLaren** (Question Bank Manager) g.mclaren@intercollegiate.org.uk for further details.

SBNS Prizes

Campbell Connolly Neurotrauma Prize



This year's Campbell Connolly Neuro Trauma prize was won by Mr Aminul Ahmed from Southampton General Hospital. His work was presented at the SBNS Spring meeting in Sheffield. "Stem cell activation following traumatic brain injury"

Applications for the next Campbell Connolly Neurotrauma Prize, £1,000, will be accepted from July **2014 to December 2014**. The winner will present his abstract at the SBNS Spring 2015 meeting.

Sir Hugh Cairns Essay Prize

The SBNS Treasurer is pleased to announce that following the transfer of Trusteeship of the Sir Hugh Cairns Memorial Fund to the SBNS, we have reinstated the Sir Hugh Cairns Essay Prize. The prize is open to all Associate Members of the SBNS at the time of submission.

A prize of £1,000 will be awarded every two years, in rotation to the Campbell Connolly Trauma Prize and the winner will also have the opportunity to present their work at the following SBNS Spring meeting.

The topic can be anything relating to neurosurgery, other than Trauma and must be based on original unpublished material or observation. The essay is restricted to 500 words (not including references, figures and tables).

The closing date for submission is **1st December 2013**. The winner will be announced in January 2014.

All applications for either prize should be submitted to the SBNS Office by email and will be reviewed by a nominated examiner.

SBNS Medal

Mr David Forster was presented with the SBNS Medal at the gala dinner during the SBNS Spring Meeting in Sheffield, last May.



The next SBNS Medal will be presented to Mr Jason Brice at the Gala dinner of the Autumn Meeting on 26th September in recognition of his contributions to British Neurosurgery.

Anyone wishing to put forward a nomination for the next SBNS Medal should contact Suzanne Murray at the SBNS office.

Bursaries Awarded by the SBNS

The SBNS award two types of bursaries each year - Undergraduate & Overseas Travel. Applications for the Undergraduate Bursaries have to be submitted by **31st March 2014**.

Two £500 awards are made each year to facilitate undergraduate medical student electives in neurosurgery.

This year we awarded two Undergraduate bursaries in March 2013:

Mr H Bhatt for a clinical elective in Neurosurgery at David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA and Mr A Anzak for a clinical elective in Neurosurgery at John Hopkins, Baltimore, USA.

We also awarded two Overseas Travel bursaries of £2,000 each. Mr Pragnesh Bhatt nominated Dr Mohammed Sucheel from India to spend a period of observation with him at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and Mr Henry Marsh nominated Mr Gokug Akyoladas from Turkey to spend time at Atkinson Morley Hospital.

To find out more about the bursaries on offer please visit the SBNS website - Education and Training page.

Marek Czosnyka



The SBNS are pleased to announce that Prof. Marek Czosnyka has been promoted to a personal Chair in Cambridge, a fantastic achievement both for him but also for Neurosurgical Physics in the UK.

NANSIG/SBNS Career Day



We would like to thank everyone who attended the Neurosurgery Careers Day in January 2013, held at the Royal College of Surgeons. For a 3rd year running, this proved to be an over-subscribed, resounding success. Attendees were guided through an interactive day with presentations from leading UK neurosurgeons.

This year, delegates also had the chance to work with MARTYN, a synthetic model of the head and brain, which will undoubtedly be a key part of future neurosurgical training.

Congratulations to Ms Anam Anzak for her prize-winning presentation that was awarded the B. Braun prize as well as the opportunity to present at the SBNS Spring meeting in Sheffield.

For information on new events visit www.nansig.com/events. We hope to see you at the 4th Careers Day in November 2014!

Imran Z. Haq, on behalf of the NANSIG committee

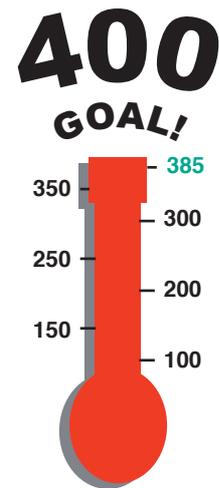
RESCUEicp Study Update

www.RESCUEicp.com

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We need another 15 patients to complete the recruitment phase of the RESCUEicp study!

We can only do this with your help!!



RESCUEicp writing committee

- Pls of sites with recruitment > 15 patients will be invited to join the writing group
- Pls of sites with recruitment > 30 patients will be invited to propose an additional author from their site
- Pls of sites with recruitment > 5/ year since joining the study will be invited to join the writing group
- Everybody else will be listed as collaborators

Inclusion criteria

- Patients aged 10-65 years
- An abnormal CT
- Require ICP monitoring
- Immediate operation for a mass lesion, but not a decompressive craniectomy
- Immune, hepatic or renal impairment please specify
- No pre-randomisation barbiturates
- Brainstem involvement

Exclusion criteria

- Bi-lateral fixed dilated pupils
- Bleeding diathesis
- Devastating injury not expected to survive 24 hours
- Follow up not possible
- Unable to use ICP monitoring
- Treated with the Lund protocol
- Primary decompression

Dates for your diary

SBNS Bi Annual Meetings SBNS Spring Meeting

26th-28th March 2014 at the Oval Cricket Ground

Hosted by Kings College Hospital, London

The abstract line will be open from 1st October to 9th December 2013

SBNS Autumn Meeting

17th-19th September 2014 at the Heritage Motor Centre

Hosted by University Hospitals, Coventry & Warwickshire

Abstract line will be open in April 2014

EANS Annual Meeting

11th- 14th November 2013

Tel Aviv, Israel

For more details visit: www.eans.org

Aesculap Academia Courses

British Neurovascular Annual Group Meeting

24th September 2013

The British Neurovascular Group are please to be hosting an additional meeting in conjunction with the SBNS that is been hosted by Queen's Hospital, Romford. The theme of the meeting will be aneurysms; ruptured and unruptured, simple and complex. We anticipate lively discussion and debate!

For more details visit:

www.aesculap-academia.co.uk

Nurses' Training Day: Chiari Malformation and Syringomyelia

Thursday 7th November 2013

You are cordially invited to attend the Second Chiari Malformation and Syringomyelia Nurses' Training Day, funded by The Ann Conroy Trust and organised by Aesculap Academia.

The day is geared towards the needs and interests of neuroscience nurses, physiotherapists and occupational therapists. It will be of value to both newly qualified staff and established practitioners, who wish either to develop

their knowledge and skills in the area of clinical neurosciences or to add to their existing experience and expertise in this field.

For more details visit:

www.aesculap-academia.co.uk

Complex Regional Pain Syndrome 2013 - International Scientific and Clinical Meeting

Wednesday 20th to Friday 22nd November 2013

Assembly Rooms, Bath, UK. This three day meeting has been organised by members of the Pain and the Sympathetic Nervous System (PSNS) Special Interest Group of the International Association for the Study of Pain. The stimulating programme has been designed to meet the needs of clinicians and academics with an interest in CRPS, be that novice or expert. It includes plenary lectures from leading scientists and clinicians in the field, as well as poster sessions and workshops to enable more informal discussions. As CRPS encompasses such a wide range of signs, symptoms and impacts on both central and peripheral mechanisms, the topics covered in this meeting are appropriately diverse.

For more details visit:

www.aesculap-academia.co.uk

The Newsletter is your chance to communicate with your SBNS colleagues and contributions are welcome for the next issue. Please contact: Suzanne Murray, SBNS Senior Administrator, admin@sbns.org.uk



Spring Autumn Meeting

Hosted by Essex Neurosciences Centre
Crowne Plaza Resort Colchester - Five Lakes
25 - 27 September 2013



Colleagues from the Essex Neurosciences Centre in Romford are delighted to be hosting the SBNS Autumn Meeting and look forward to welcoming you to Essex, 25th-27th September.



The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Resort - Five Lakes, which is set in 320 acres of rolling English Countryside between Colchester and Chelmsford. The venue has fantastic modern conference facilities as well as 194 beautifully refurbished bedrooms. All sessions will be located onsite creating an inclusive atmosphere for the meeting.

At this meeting we have taken on board the feedback from past meetings and the new Meetings Secretary and Host have decided to abandon parallel sessions and focus on high quality presentations all taking place in the main meeting room. To this end we will have an extra large Poster Viewing Session with over 70 posters covering a wide variety of topics, all washed down with a glass of wine!

The hosts have pulled out all the stops and invited 4 renowned guest speakers: Jonathan Benjamin, Senior Consultant at the host unit, Prof. Michael Fehlings, Professor of Neurosurgery in Toronto, Prof. Teseng Yeo from Singapore and Prof. Anthony King from the Department of Government, University Essex.

There will also be two breakfast seminars:

Thursday - **The Neurosurgeon Overseas in Peace and Conflict:** a session providing some inspiration

for taking your Neurosurgical skills to parts of the world where the need is greatest.

Friday - The **Changing Economics of Private Neurosurgical Practice:** A wide ranging discussion about the conflict between indemnity and income in Neurosurgery.

To spice things up even further we have also introduced several new sessions:

- **Debate** - This House believes that subspecialisation in Brain Tumour surgery is a step too far
- **Trainee Focus:** Spinal Master Class
- **Allied Health Professionals Forum:** for Neurosurgical Nurses and allied health workers which will run parallel to the **Life Long Learning session** on Neurosurgical Training

As you can see we have a full and varied programme so there is bound to be something of interest no matter what stage you are in your career.

The other exciting aspect of this meeting is the paperless interactive programme! We have secured the services of a company called EventPad who will provide all delegates with an ipad for use at the meeting. This will be linked into our own network and wifi and will be loaded with everything you need for the meeting. This exciting innovation enables a highly interactive format.

There will also be an extensive Trade Exhibition with all the companies details featured on the EventPad – if you like what you see in the exhibition you can find out more about the companies and their products via the ipad and even arrange a follow up visit with the click of a button!

The **British Neurovascular Group** will be the sub-specialty group joining

the meeting and will host their meeting at the conference venue on Tuesday afternoon. The SBNS AGM will be on Thursday afternoon, running parallel with the BNTA and Allied Health Professionals Business Meeting.



As everyone knows the social events are a big part of SBNS Meetings and are a great opportunity to network and let your hair down. On Wednesday evening we have a Welcome Reception at Mersea Island Vineyard where you will have the opportunity to experience the beautiful Essex Countryside as well as sample the local brew and fare! On Thursday we have the more formal black tie gala dinner which will be held at the impressive Layer Marney Tower. Partners are welcome to attend both events.



On the Friday evening the hosts have also organised an Alumni Dinner for past trainee and consultant colleagues at Oldchurch/Queen's in Romford. This will be held at The Bull in Great Totham. If you are interested in attending please contact Mr Karoly David **Karoly.david@bhrhospitals.nhs.uk**

To find out more about the meeting, register and book accommodation please visit the conference page of the SBNS Website. Registration closes **18th September!**

We look forward to seeing you all in September.

SBNS Spring Meeting May 2013



Electronic Copies of the group photo can be obtained from the SBNS office.

The SBNS Spring meeting was held later in the year than usual but was well worth waiting for. The meeting was hosted by our colleagues in Hallamshire Hospital and held jointly with colleagues from the Hungarian Neurosurgical Society who made a valuable contribution to the Life Long Learning Session on Minimally Invasive Techniques in Neurosurgery, abstract and poster presentations. We were also treated to 3 excellent guest lectures from Dr Eva Mezey, Prof. Daniel Rüfenacht and our very own host, Mr Andras Kemeny.

The following prizes were awarded at the meeting:

Best Oral Presentation



Catherine Lunter for her abstract: Transylvian Selective Amygdalohippocampectomy: The Impact of Surgery on Memory Functioning in Patients with Medically Refractory Medial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy.

Best Poster Presentation



Zsolt Zador for his poster entitled: Does removal of the orbital bar in the eyebrow craniotomy enhance the keyhole effect?

British Journal of Neurosurgery Prize



David Baxter was awarded the prize for the best abstract submission for his paper entitled: Traumatic axonal injury after exposure to blast: a comparison of white matter damage in blast and non-blast traumatic brain injury.

All three winners will be invited to attend the gala dinner at the Autumn SBNS meeting where they will be presented with a certificate from the

President of the SBNS. Congratulations to all.

The social events at Kelham Island Industrial Museum and the Cutlers' Hall were also a great success and it was particularly amusing to see our President attempting to thank our Hungarian guests in their native tongue. The Hungarian delegates who stayed on were treated to a wonderful day out at Chatsworth House on Saturday.



Mr H Akram, was presented with the Norman Dott Medal for the outstanding performance in the FRCS(SN) examination during 2012 at the gala dinner in Sheffield.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to make the meeting such a success: Colleagues from the Host Unit, delegates from Hungary, trade sponsors, our AV Team (ESW), staff at the venue, everyone who attended and presented and last but not least the Lead Host Andras Kemeny. We wish him a long and happy retirement.



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