

Sheffield Students' Surgical Society



NEWSLETTER

June 2007

New Committee!

For all of you who have just had exams, I hope they went well. You may well know that we have recently held elections for a new committee. We are dedicated to bringing you even more events and activities over the coming year, which we will keep you up to date with via our newsletters.

In this newsletter, you will find information about up and coming events of the Society in the next few weeks and the latest news. Also please do visit our website at:

www.rcssheffield.co.uk



Events:

Radiology Series: Orthopaedic Radiology Weds 6th June 6.30pm



Surg Soc have arranged a series of radiology small-group tutorials, strictly for members only. The first of these sessions is to be held on Wednesday 6th June at 6.30pm. **Matt Morris, SpR in Orthopaedics** and an enthusiastic teacher, will run through the principles of reading and reporting X-rays, as well as common orthopaedic problems. Approximately 15 places are available per session on a first come first served basis, so if you would like to attend please email sheffieldsurgsoc@hotmail.com to express your interest, putting "Radiology tutorial" as the subject title. We'll email out confirmation of the venue just prior to the tutorial.

Surgical Society Case Prize

Surgical Society invites you to submit an outline of an interesting surgical case you have encountered during any placement or on your elective.

The authors of the best submissions will be invited to present their cases as a PowerPoint presentation or similar at a Surgical Grand Round evening which we will be holding early next academic year. A panel of surgeons will judge the presentations and there will be a prize for the winner and runner up.

This is an excellent opportunity to practice presenting a case and will look impressive on your CV. For all those in 3b, the prize will be awarded in time to include on your MTAS form.

The prize is open to all members of Surgical Society. The outline should be no longer than one side of typed A4 and should be submitted by email to sheffieldsurgsoc@hotmail.com by the end of August. A more detailed history, examination findings, investigation and management will need to be included if you are asked to present your case.

New Committee 2007-2008

A brief introduction to the new committee:



President: Judith Ritchie

It's a great honour to have been elected as president of the Surgical Society. I have been involved with the Society for 2 and a half years and during that time I have seen the Society develop and flourish. I hope that as president we are able to further develop the activities we provide to benefit our members in all aspects of training as well as engage you all in surgical activities such as suturing and laparoscopy.

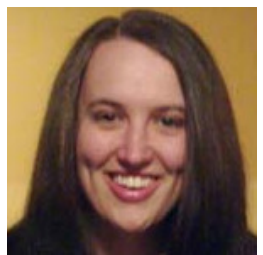


Vice-president: Sophie Cleary

I have been a keen member of Surgical Society since I started medical school and last year I was Clinical Skills Co-ordinator. Over the last year we have managed to get the practical classes up and running, which offers members a chance to get hands on practice in surgical skills. This year I hope to support the president in arranging more events and activities, and along side the new Clinical Skills Co-ordinator, commence the advanced suturing classes.



Treasurer: Ian Baxter



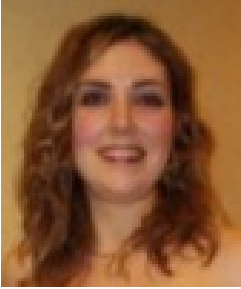
WIST Rep: Emily Lees

My aims for this year are to be accessible for any female members who would like advice or information about a career in surgery, and to organise an evening with a women in surgery theme.



Academic/Clinical Skills Co-ordinator: Sally Erskine

This year I intend to continue running and develop the successful suturing classes and anatomy revision sessions. I will also be arranging some more advanced suturing classes and a laparoscopic skills session similar to those used by surgical trainees. I think these workshops and the forthcoming Surgical Case Prize will give members good opportunities to practice skills which they may not use regularly on clinical placements but which will be important in their future careers. I also hope to arrange for some talks by more junior surgeons to explain more about how training is changing as part of MMC.



Secretary: Vicky Wright



IT: Stephanie Edwards



Publicity Rep: Rajiv Gaikwad

I hope to raise the profile of Surgical Society this year, advertising and getting involved with new events.

If you have anything you want to include/announce/advertise in the next newsletter, email me (Sophie) at: mda04slc@sheffield.ac.uk