

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

For attending lectures marked * a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institutions concerned.

Monday, 10 November

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.45 pm, Dr M F Spittle: Radiotherapy II.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, Lumsden lecture by Professor J F Goodwin: The frontiers of cardiomyopathy.

Tuesday, 11 November

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—5 pm, Dr D Atherton: Paediatric dermatology II.
SOCIALIST MEDICAL ASSOCIATION—At House of Commons, 7 pm, Professor J Morris: The Black Report, Inequalities in Health.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, Croonian lecture by Dr A F Lever: Sodium in hypertension.

Wednesday, 12 November

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY, QUEEN SQUARE—Sandoz Foundation advanced lectures on clinical and experimental neurology, 6 pm, Dr G Hunter: Molecular aspects of slow virus diseases in animals. 7 pm, Professor W B Mathews: Human slow virus diseases—genetic or infectious?
INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—6 pm, Dr R A Sturge: 7 pm, Mr A Benjamin: Selection of patients for surgery.
NORTHWICH PARK HOSPITAL—4.30 pm, Professor R C N Williamson: Factors influencing adaptive changes in the intestine.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, Oliver-Sharpey lecture by Dr J Hughes: Opioid peptides: their present and future role in medicine.
ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE—5 pm, Dr E Elias: Cholestatic mechanisms.
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—At John Radcliffe Hospital, 5 pm, Professor Allan Jacobs: Ferritin in health and disease.

Thursday, 13 November

INSTITUTE OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY—12.15 pm, Mr S N Desai: Early closure of the cleft palate.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, Humphry Davy Rolleston lecture by Dr Barbara Billing: Familial disorders of bilirubin metabolism.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—At Royal Society of Medicine, 5 pm, Edridge-Green lecture by Dr J K Bowmaker: Visual pigments and colour vision in man and monkeys.
ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Aleck Bourne lecture by Mr K R Peel: Surgery of gynaecological malignancy.

Friday, 14 November

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR SURGERY OF THE HAND—At Royal College of Surgeons of England, 5.30 pm, Clayton memorial lecture by Dr N H Antia (Bombay): Clinical and experimental studies in the causation of nerve paralysis in leprosy.

Saturday, 15 November

NUFFIELD ORTHOPAEDIC CENTRE, OXFORD UNIVERSITY—8.30 am, Dr D Johnston: The exploitation of the unique features of biofeedback. 9.30 am, Dr D G Gadian: Nuclear magnetic resonance and clinical medicine.

BMA NOTICES

Central Meetings

NOVEMBER
12 Wed Council Executive, 10 am.
13 Thurs Negotiating Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
13 Thurs Training course for newly appointed honorary secretaries.
14 Fri General Purposes Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
19 Wed General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
20 Thurs Negotiating Subcommittee (CCCM), 10 am.

Division Meetings

Members proposing to attend meetings marked * are asked to notify in advance the honorary secretary concerned.

Brighton and Cuckfield—At Brighton General Hospital, Tuesday, 11 November, joint meeting with British Dental Association, Mr R Haskell: "Facial pain."*

Burnley—At Falcon Inn, Friday, 14 November, 8.30 pm, annual ball.* (Guests are invited.)

Chesterfield—At Royal Hospital, Wednesday, 12 November, 7.30 pm, Mr Mike Hammond: "The work of a national park ranger."* (Buffet supper.)

Coventry—At Coventry and Warwickshire Postgraduate Centre, Tuesday, 11 November, 7.15 pm, dinner, speaker Mr K Whetstone: "The running of a daily newspaper."* (Guests invited.)

Ealing—At Ealing Hospital, Tuesday, 11 November, 8 pm, agm.

East Cumbria—At Cumberland Infirmary, Thursday, 13 November, 8 pm, agm.

East Yorkshire—At Hull Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, 12 November, 8 pm, Dr Frank Preston: "Circadian rhythms in long distance travel." (All welcome.)

Edgware and Hendon—At Hendon Hall Hotel, Tuesday, 11 November, 8.30 pm, clinical meeting, speaker Mr M H Yacoub.*

Glasgow—At Glasgow Regional office, Thursday, 13 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, joint meeting with Society of Occupational Medicine, "Co-operation in the care of the patient at home and at work."

Guildford—At Royal Surrey County Hospital, Thursday, 13 November, 7.30 pm, wine and cheese party, speaker Lieutenant-Colonel Mike Thomas: "Medical ethics."* (Guests invited.)

Halifax—At Elland Cricket Club, Friday, 14 November, 7.30 pm, BMA charity buffet dance in aid of Calderdale Hospice.*

Huddersfield—At Royal Infirmary, Monday, 10 November, 8.15 pm, business meeting.

Maidstone—At Leeds Castle, Wednesday, 12 November, 8.30 pm, buffet.*

Northallerton—At Golden Lion Hotel, Friday, 14 November, 7.45 for 8.30 pm, annual dinner dance.* (Guests welcome.)

North Birmingham, Lichfield, and Tamworth—At Belfry, Friday, 14 November, 8 pm, dinner dance.*

Redbridge and Stratford—At King George Hospital, Tuesday, 11 November, 7.15 for 8.15 pm, Professor F J Macartney: "Surgery for congenital heart disease—worth it or not."*

Ross and Cromarty—At Shandwick Inn, Kildary, Tuesday, 11 November, 7.30 pm, discussion meeting.* (Guests are invited.)

Solihull—At St John's Hotel, Wednesday, 12 November, joint dinner meeting with the ladies' section of the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund.*

South-west Wales—At Imperial Hotel, Tenby, Saturday, 15 November, 7 for 7.30 pm, dinner meeting, speaker Dr J D L Havard: "The BMA in the 1980s."*

Stockport—At Cheadle Royal Hospital, Friday, 14 November, 8 pm, buffet dance.*

Stockton-on-Tees—At Swallow Hotel, Monday, 10 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, opening dinner, speaker Dr J C Johnson (Nova Scotia): "Experiences in Canada."* (Guests are invited.)

Wakefield—At Kings Croft Hotel, Pontefract, Tuesday, 11 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, dinner/lecture, Dr Andrew Broughton: "Western States of America."* (Guests welcome.)

West Derbyshire—At Whitworth Hospital, Matlock, Wednesday, 12 November, 8.30 pm, Dr I F Roberts: "Problems of low birth weight babies."

West of Scotland Divisions—At BMA Glasgow Regional Office, Thursday, 13 November, 7.30 pm, joint meeting with the Society of Occupational Medicine, "Co-operation in the care of the patient at home and at work."

Regional Meeting

North-west Thames Regional Hospital Junior Staff Committee—At BMA House, Thursday, 13 November, 6.15 pm.

Yorkshire Regional Hospital Junior Staff Committee—At Leeds General Infirmary, Thursday, 13 November, 7 pm.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

Appointment—Dr J E Cotes (reader in pulmonary physiology).

CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

WESSEX RHA—Dr D A B Dunlop (radiology).

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