

WOS Annual Meeting Report 2014

The 2014 annual meeting was held on 9th May at the Halliwell Centre, situated on the Trinity St David's University site in Carmarthen.

The meeting was well attended with over 80 delegates from all parts of Wales.

Bob Owen was present and gave some words as one of the founding fathers of the Society.

The Robert Owen lecture entitled "Advances in Trauma Care" was given by Mr Stuart Matthews, from the Oxford & Thames Valley Regional Trauma Centre. His lecture covered developments in the philosophy of trauma care from 1960s through early total care in the 80s & early 90s to the damage control concepts today. He emphasised the importance of the "Deadly triad" of acidosis, hypothermia, coagulopathy. This was an excellent summary, for the non-specialist traumatologist, of a rapidly evolving area.

The Rowland Hughes lecture was delivered by Mr Dai Rees from Oswestry. The lecture opened with many humorous recollections & anecdotes involving Rowland Hughes, the first President of the Society. Dai covered the anatomy of the knee and its ligaments including the anteromedial ligament. He introduced his thoughts on the concept of muscle training to prevent injury. His presentation was illustrated with videos of injuries and examples from extensive experience of years of treating elite sportsmen.

Registrars papers – 60 abstracts were submitted with 19 being accepted for presentation on the day. The podium completion was judged by our President, Mr ETR James & Dai Rees. Winner of podium competition was Adam Smith for work carried out at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital on the influence of pre operative nutritional levels in fractured neck of femur patients and subsequent failure of fixation.

The Runner-up prize was won by Laurence Moulton from Morriston Hospital for his presentation on the results of revision of unicompartmental patellofemoral replacement.

The Poster competition was judged by Mr John Black, one of the local hosts at Carmarthen. The prize was given to Oliver Blocker for his poster on incidence of *Clostridium difficile* infection at the Royal Gwent Hospital.

Winner Podium:

"Pre-Operative Nutritional Serum Parameters Are Associated With Failure Of Internal Fixation In Undisplaced Intracapsular Hip Fractures In The Elderly."

A Smith, S Bajada, D Morgan

Trauma & Orthopaedic Department, Royal Glamorgan Hospital, Llantrisant.

Runner up Podium:

“Revision Of Patellofemoral Unicompartmental Knee Replacement To Total Knee Replacement Does Not Have Poorer Outcomes Than Primary TKR”

Moulton LS, Davies AP

Morriston Hospital, Swansea

Winner Poster:

“Clostridium *difficile* Associated Diarrhoea (CDAD) in primary joint arthroplasty in Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (South)”

O Blocker, U Abdulkadir, S Kadambande.

Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport

The meeting closed with the AGM and discussions around plans for the forthcoming Pan Celtic 2015 meeting which is due to be held in Wales.

The day was rounded off with the traditional dinner, this year held at ‘Con Passionata’ Restaurant in the centre of Carmarthen.