

to introduce more progressive regimes and treatment programmes despite problems in recruitment and the isolation of the hospital. His career suffered the cruellest of blows on St Andrew's day in 1976 when two patients at Carstairs escaped, in the process killing a fellow patient, a nurse and a local policeman. The gruesome circumstances of the killings and their aftermath set back the progress Kenneth had painstakingly achieved. His health began to fail not long afterwards and he took early retirement in 1979.

Kenneth will be remembered by his colleagues as one who was kind and considerate to all. Besides his family, Kenneth loved his golf and was a connoisseur of the best of Scotland's produce. He was one of nature's gentlemen.

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The deaths of the following have also been reported:

RICHARD DE-ALARCON, formerly Reader in Psychiatry, University of Southampton.

ALISTAIR ROBERT GRANT, OBE, formerly Medical Superintendent, Whittingham Hospital, Preston, Lancashire.

C. L. E. HAFFNER, formerly Medical Director, Wessex Unit for Children and Parents, Portsmouth.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE HARDMAN, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, Preston Child Guidance Centre, Preston, Lancashire.

JOHN STEPHEN HORSLEY, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, Child Guidance Clinic, Bradford, Yorkshire.

JAMES McLAUGHLAN JOHNSTON, formerly Physician Superintendent, State Hospital, Carstairs.

REMIGIUS KISALU, Senior House Officer, Goodmayes Hospital, Goodmayes, Ilford, Essex.

JAMES ERIC MURPHY, retired, Brook House, 435-437 Wellingborough Road, Northampton.

HERBERT MURRAY PARK, Consultant Psychiatrist, Barnsley District General Hospital, Barnsley, South Yorkshire.

GEORGE SOMERVILLE, formerly Lord Chancellor's Medical Visitor, Hollyhocks, Church Lane, Newton Green, Sudbury, Suffolk.

JEANNIE STIRRAT, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, Poole General Hospital, Poole, Dorset.

DAVID MANSON ARMSTRONG TAYLOR, Consultant Psychiatrist, Pontefract General Hospital, Pontefract, West Yorkshire.

BRIAN ARTHUR THWAITES, Superintendent, Newcastle Psychiatric Centre, Church Street, Newcastle, New South Wales 2300, Australia.

RONALD DOUGLAS WATSON, Consultant Psychiatrist, Tooting Bec Hospital, London SW17.

Forthcoming Events

The **Society for Psychosomatic Research** is holding an essay competition for the **Kenneth Reeves Prize**. The essay should be on a psychosomatic topic and should not exceed 5000 words. The prize of £100 will be awarded at a meeting of the Society in May 1987 when the winner will read his essay to the Society. Application forms: Dr B. Matthews, Honorary Secretary, the Society for Psychosomatic Research, Department of Psychiatry, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, London SW17 0RE.

The **Seventh International Conference on Alcohol Related Problems** will be held at the University of Liverpool from 5-10 April 1987. Papers of a general or scientific nature concerning alcohol and its abuse will be considered. Abstracts must be submitted for consideration by the Programme Committee *not later than 30 November 1986*. Cost: £175 (residents); £115 (non-residents). The registration fee (non-returnable) in both cases will be £35 and is part of the total fee. Day attendance: £25 (payable in advance). Further information: The Conference Secretary, The Merseyside, Lancashire & Cheshire Council on Alcoholism, First Floor, The Fruit Exchange, Victoria Street, Liverpool L2 6QU.

A one-day **MRCPsych Final Examination Workshop** will be held on 7 October 1986 at St Crispin Hospital, Northampton. Limited places will be available. Further information: Dr H. Ghadiali, Clinical Tutor, or Mrs R. Firth, Secretary to Clinical Tutor, St Crispin Hospital, Duston, Northampton NN5 6UN (Telephone 0604 52323).

The **Golden Jubilee Conference and Northern European Epilepsy Meeting** will be held at the University of York from 13-16 September 1986. Details: Janet G. Bullivant, Professional Postgraduate Services, Meeting Secretariat, Sunderland House, Sunderland Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire SK11 6JF.

The **North East Thames Regional Health Authority** and the **World Federation of Mental Health** are holding an international conference entitled 'Coming Home—Meeting Mental Health Needs Locally'. It will be held in the School of Pharmacy, University of London from 15-17 September 1986. The full cost will be £90 with a £20 reduction for members of the World Federation for Mental Health and staff employed by Health Authorities in NETRHA. Residential accommodation: £18 per night. Details: NETRHA, 40 Eastbourne Terrace, London W2 3QR.

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists will be hosting a Regional Symposium of the World Psychiatric Association from 1-3 May 1988 in Sydney, to be followed by their own Congress. Further information: Noel M. Wilton, Department of Liaison Psychiatry, Prince of Wales Hospital, High Street, Randwick, NSW 2031, Australia.

The Freud Memorial Lectures in Psychoanalysis will be held on 13 October, 20 October, 27 October, 3 November and 10 November at the Darwin Theatre, Darwin Building, Gower Street, London WC1. The speakers will be John Bowlby, Isabel Menzies Lyth, Clifford Yorke, Riccardo Steiner and Joseph Sandler. Professor Sandler will be in the chair for the first four lectures. Information: Psychoanalysis Unit, Psychology Department, University College, London, 26 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AP (Telephone 01 580 6902).

The Forensic Section Executive Committee is holding a joint conference with the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law and the Institute of Psychiatry at the Royal Institute of British Architects, Portland Place, London W1 on 23 and 24 October 1986. Programme and application: Mrs Liz Sharrock, Conference Secretary, Maudsley Hospital,

Denmark Hill, London SE5 8AZ (Telephone 01 703 6333, extension 247).

A Hearing on Urban Violence and Insecurity - The Role of Local Policies will be held in Strasbourg on 15-16 September 1986. It is being organised by the Standing Conference of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe in close collaboration with the United Towns Organisation and the National Council for the Prevention of Delinquency in France. Further information: Mr Richard Hartley, Standing Conference of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe, Conseil de l'Europe, Boite postale 431 R6, 67006 Strasbourg Cedex, France (telephone 88.61.49.61).

'Winning the Battle', a seminar, will be held at The Priory Hospital (1.50-4 pm) on 25 September 1986. Topics: 'Seasonal Affective Disorder and Phototherapy' (Dr Christopher Thompson, Senior Lecturer, Charing Cross Hospital); 'Acute Combat Stress Reactions' (Brigadier (Ret'd) P. D. Wickenden, Emeritus Professor of Military Psychiatry); 'Defeating Alcoholism; The Minnesota Model' (Dr Desmond Kelly, Medical Director, The Priory Hospital); 'Stopping Smoking: Where There's A Will' (Gillian Riley, Seminar Leader, Full Stop Programme, Hospital of St John & St Elizabeth). Information: Medical Director, The Priory Hospital, Priory Lane, London SW15 5JJ.

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