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Become a Member of the John Snow Society

Celebrating the life and tradition of Dr John Snow: the noted epidemiologist, anaesthetist, innovator, remover of pump handles....

About us

The John Snow Society has nearly 2000 members worldwide many of whom are eminent specialists in public health. Membership is open to anyone who wishes to celebrate the memory of John Snow. International membership is encouraged, the only requirement being that you visit the John Snow pub on any visit to London!

Life membership is £10, which entitles you to a John Snow membership card and commemorative mug (an additional charge

of £2 is required to cover postage costs of the mug for UK members and £3 for overseas members). Please tick the box if you have already received the mug



The joining fee is payable by UK cheque (payable to "John Snow Society") or credit card (VISA, MasterCard, Switch, Solo). Unfortunately we are unable to accept dollar or euro cheques.

Application Form

Title Forename Surname

Email – for all correspondence

Please note new members will receive their membership details by post, after which all communication will be by email only.

Address

..... Postcode

Job title

If payment is to be made by credit card:

CREDIT CARD DETAILS: NAME

NUMBER.....EXP.....ISSUE NO (SWITCH ONLY).....

3 DIGIT SECURITY NO (The last 3 digits at the top of the signature box)

All completed application forms, cheques and credit card details should be sent to:

The John Snow Society, Royal Society for Public Health, 3rd Floor Market Towers, 1 Nine Elms Lane, London, SW8 5NQ.

Tel: 020 3177 1632 Fax: 020 3177 1601 email: johnsnowsociety@rsph.org.uk www.johnsnowsociety.org

Our History

The Society was formed in the early 1990s when it was discovered that the memory of Snow had dimmed at the pub bearing his name: the publican thought it commemorated the Sussex fast bowling cricketer! We found that memorabilia, donated by staff of the London School of Hygiene in 1954, had been lost or stolen. Helping the brewery to find replacements gave impetus to forming a society to celebrate the memory of one of the most important innovators in medicine. The Society is not of course completely "pub centred" – this would be inappropriate, since, as members will be aware Dr Snow was himself a teetotaler. However, the pub does provide a useful assembly point for Society members and a focus for the Society's activities.

Our Activities

The Society organises a miscellany of activities from serious to social. According to our constitution, any time two members meet, anywhere, they may declare it a meeting of the John Snow Society. We encourage members to organise activities and let

other members know about them (photographic records are encouraged in preference to minutes). One formal lecture is held each year: The Pumphandle Lecture (on or near the 8 September), organised by epidemiologist members, to which all are welcome.

Local chapters of the Society may like to hold meetings and visit the John Snow Pub in Broadwick Street, Soho, where pictures relating to Snow are on display in the upstairs bar, and where the Visitors' book is also held.

Administering the Society

A small steering group oversees the main activities of the Society. Members include Professor Paul Fine (Hon. Pumphandle President), Dr Ros Stanwell-Smith (Hon. Secretary, John Snow Society), Dr John Watson (HPA), Dr Dilys Morgan (HPA), Professor Jimmy Whitworth (Wellcome Trust), Mary O'Mahony (Former Senior Manager, HPA), Professor Sandy Cairncross (LSHTM), Dr Adrian Padfield (Past-President HAS) and Professor Andy Hall (LSHTM).

The Royal Society for Public Health (www.rsph.org.uk)

The John Snow Society is administered by the Royal Society for Public Health. The RSPH is an independent, multi-disciplinary organisation, dedicated to the promotion and protection of collective human health and well-being. The Society holds a range of conferences including those on water issues such as private water supplies and handwashing.

Many of the RSPH's members are water specialists, environmental health officers, communicable disease specialists and other health professionals interested in water health and safety.

Join both organisations at the same time and we will waive the RSPH registration fee.

For further details please contact Lizzy Hay at lhay@rsph.org.uk

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