Renal Patients’ Gateball Competition

This Year’s Renal Patients’ Gateball competition was successfully held in the Kowloon Park Indoor Sportsground on June 8, 2007 (Sunday). Eleven and six teams participated in the Open and Senior Division Competition respectively. Dr. Cheung Wai Lun and Mrs. Lau Lee Lai Fong (Chairman of the HK Gateball Association) were the Guests of Honor. The results of the Competition are:

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For the first time, we have invited the Gateball Team of the Macau Renal Patients’ Association to come to Hong Kong to participate in a friendly match with the Hong Kong Renal Patients’ Gateball Team. The results of the Renal Patients’ Gateball Competition 08 are as follow:

香港腎友門球邀請賽: 冠軍: 香港代表隊; 亞軍: 澳門代表隊
門球友誼賽: 冠軍: 嘉賓隊; 亞軍: 腎科學會隊
Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) 2008

This year’s ASM will be held on October 19, 2008 (Sunday) in Kowloon Shangrila Hotel. Prof. Bernardo Rodriguez-Iturbe (President-elect of the International Society of Nephrology) and Prof. Alfred Cheung, have accepted our invitation to be the guest speakers of our Meeting. In addition, Prof. TM Chan (Yu Professor in Nephrology, the University of Hong Kong), recipient of the Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award, will also deliver his titled lecture during the meeting. Please look out for further announcement of the Meeting.

HKSN Research Grant

The application of the HKSN Research Grant has closed on June 30, 2008. There are 7 applications this year. All the proposals have been sent to local and overseas experts for review. The external reviewers are Prof. Carmine Zoccali from Italy and Dr. Nelson Leung from USA. Applicants will be notified of their results by early September. The Research Grants will be awarded during our Annual Scientific Meeting in October.

Scientific Symposia

Two scientific symposia have been held during the past 3 months. The first Symposium was entitled “In search of the perfect membrane” by Dr. O Tuominen & “HDF-Brisbane Experience” by Dr. C Hawley. It was held in the Royal Plaza Hotel on May 26, 2008 (Mon) and was attended by 41 doctors and 59 nurses. The second Scientific Symposium was on “New Strategy in managing kidney transplant recipients” by Prof. J. Fung, which was held in Sheraton Hotel on June 11, 2008 (Wed). 35 doctors attended the symposium.
Second Congress of the ISHD

Theme: “From hemodialysis unit to ICU”
Date: August 28 to 30, 2009
Venue: Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Center

Please mark your diary

HA Commissioned Training 2009

Next year’s HA commissioned training will be held on January 11, 2009 (Sunday) in the M Floor Lecture Theatre, Hospital Authority Building. The theme of the training would be on Palliative & Supportive Care in End Stage Renal Disease. Dr. YW Ho (United Christian Hospital) is the Chief Organizer of the event.

Annual Meeting of the Chinese Society of Nephrology

The Annual Meeting of the Chinese Society of Nephrology will be held in the Guangzhou International Conference Centre in Guangzhou (廣州) from November 18-22, 2008. Our Society is going to organize a delegation to participate in the meeting.

Society’s Representatives to the APSN Council

In the fourth Council Meeting held on June 27, 2008, the Council decided to nominate Dr. Andrew Wong and Dr. Alex Yu to represent our Society to sit in the Executive Council of the Asian Pacific Society of Nephrology.

Inter-hospital Renal Meeting

The Inter-hospital Renal Meeting is held regularly in the Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block A, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. The time-table of this year Inter-hospital Renal Meeting has been uploaded to our Society’s website. PowerPoint slides of the Presentations will also be posted in our website. Members of HKSN will be informed of the titles of the presentations by email before every meeting. Please inform us at office@hksn.org when there is change in your email address. The schedule of the Inter-hospital Renal Meetings for the next three months is listed as follow:
**Upcoming Events / Important Dates at a Glance**

**Lecture by Prof. John Feehally**
Date: Sept. 10, 2008 (Wednesday)
Venue: Lecture Theatre, M Block, QEH

**Annual Scientific Meeting**
Date: October 19, 2008 (Sunday)
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel

**Consensus Workshop on Renal Transplantation**
Date: October 31, 2007 (Friday)
Venue: Lecture Theatre, M Block, QEH

**Sponsorship application to attend local / overseas meetings**
Applications for sponsorship to attend local or overseas conferences should be sent to Dr. Sydney C.W. Tang (Membership Affairs: Sponsorship and scholarship) C/o Department of Medicine, Queen Mary Hospital, Pokfulam, Hong Kong at least 4 weeks before the commencement date of the conference. You can FAX the application to Dr. Tang at 2872-5828 or EMAIL scwtang@hku.hk. Application for reimbursement for expenses should be sent to Dr. Tang within 3 months after the meeting. Late applications will not be entertained. A list of forthcoming nephrology meetings can be found in our Society’s web site as well as in the HKJN.

**Membership application and Change of Address**
New membership application and notification of change of address or personal particulars should be sent to Dr. Samuel K.S. Fung (Membership Affairs: Registration). C/o Department of Medicine & Geriatrics, Medical Officer Room, P3 Ward, Hong Kong Jockey Club Nephrology Centre, Block P, Princess Margaret Hospital, Lai Chi Kok, Kowloon. New membership application & Change of Address or Personal Details forms can be downloaded from our Society’s website (http://www.hksn.org/member.htm). For further enquiry concerning your membership status, please contact Ms. Rebecca Wong (Dr. Fung’s Secretary) at 29902035 / 27410752 (e-mail: pmhrenal@gmail.com)

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