

## Snippets from the Embryologist's Club note books #1 and #2 documenting early presidents, chairs, treasurers and secretaries

... 1948, at King's College, London, at which the Embryologists' Club was inaugurated. A Committee was elected consisting of Dr. Fraser (Chairman of Committee), Mr. A. Fisk (Secretary), Dr. M. Tribe (Treasurer), Miss Ince and Mr. Newth.

#2, Feb 48, p.1

King's College London on February 19<sup>th</sup> 1948

Dr. Fraser was unanimously elected Chairman.

The name of the proposed association was discussed and Dr. Murray proposed the title "The Embryologists Club" carried.

Resolutions

Officers elected were

Secretary	Mr. Fisk
Treasurer	Dr. Tribe
Committee members	Mr. Newth
	Miss Ince

The committee to consist of the chairman, secretary, treasurer & committee members.

It was decided that all present at the foundation meeting should be eligible for membership, subsequent membership and honorary membership by proposal & two seconders.

#2, Feb 48, p.2

March 2. 1948. University college 5.45.

Present. Dr. Fraser Chairman Mr. Fisk Secretary  
Dr. Tribe Treasurer Miss Ince, Mr. Newth Committee members.

Resolutions

1/ Prof. J.P. Hill to be asked to be President, finding him Professor DeBeer.

#1, p.2, March 48

June 1950 #1, p.9

June 5.  
 Secretary instructed to ask following to  
 act next year as  
 - Professor Boyd Chairman  
 - Mr Fisk Sec.  
 Dr O'Connor Treasurer  
 Dr Fisk  
 Dr Abernethy } Committee.  
 Miss Duce

Chairman of Committee Prof. J. D. Boyd.  
 Secretary Mr Fisk  
 Treasurer Dr. O'Connor

June 1950 #2, p.13

The A.G.M. to be held on 3 May  
 unless a meeting be arranged in June.  
 Committee's suggestions for officers  
 President Prof. J. P. Hill F.R.S.  
 Chairman Professor Hamilton  
 Sec. Mr Fisk  
 Treasurer Dr. O'Connor. Committee Abernethy, Northcote.

March 1951 #2, p.10

President Prof. J. P. Hill F.R.S.  
 Chairman Prof. W. J. Hamilton  
 Sec. Mr A. Fisk  
 Treasurer Dr R. J. O'Connor

June 51, #2, p.17

Professor W. J. Hamilton F.R.S. Ed. Chairman  
 Dr. R. J. O'Connor Secretary Treasurer  
 Mr Fisk Secretary

#2, June 53

**#1, June 53, p.12**

wee Chairman Professor Hamilton Treasurer D. O'Connor  
Secy Mr Fisk Committee members Dr. Little, Dr. Bond, Miss Trask  
Dr. Abernethy Dr. Harrison Dr. Trice - auditor  
Miss Ince, Librarian etc.

Waste Ties 18/4/53. 5/5/54.  
A committee meeting of the Elybiologists Club was held  
at Cherry X Hosp. in Professor Hamiltons room. Dr Bousie  
and Dr. Truslove regretted inability to attend. Committee  
nominations for Officers were decided. Professor Hamilton pointed  
out that his period of office had expired but the committee  
was unanimous in asking him to continue in office. Dr  
O'Connor was asked to remain as Treasurer & Mr. Fisk as  
Secretary. Committee nominations were Dr A.F.W. Hyle,  
Dr. M. Abernethy, Dr R.J. Harrison, Mrs Ruth Bellairs Dr. M. Sutton  
and Dr. G.M. Truslove.

May 54, #1, p.13

Professor W. J. Hamilton F.R.S. Ed. Chairman  
Dr R. J. O'Connor Treasurer  
Dr Alan Fiske Secretary

#2, June 54, p.

Chairman Dr. M. A. Allen ✓ to reply Prof. H. H. H. H.  
Secretary Dr. C. L. F. F. ✓  
Treasurer Dr. R. J. O. O. ✓

**#1, May 55, p. 15**

Officers. Chairman, Hamilton  
Treasurer. O. Connors  
Sec. F. R.

Chairman      Professor      Hamilton  
Treasurer      Dr. O'Connor  
Sec.      Dr. Fisk



May 57, #1, p.18

Blain Prof W. J. Hamelt  
Treasurer Dr O'Connor  
Sec Dr. Alan Tusk

June 58, #1, p.20

June 59, #1, p.21

Blain Prof Hamelt Treasurer Dr. O'Connor.  
Sec. Dr. Alan Tusk Committee members  
Drs. Abernethy, Silver, Gleason, Fox  
a Miss Ince & Miss Dendler.  
Auditor Dr. Tusk.

The Committee proposed the election of the  
following officers for year 1958-59 and in  
the absence of alternative nominations the  
proposal was approved by the members.  
Chairman Professor W. J. Hamelt  
Treasurer Dr. R. S. O'Connor  
Secretary Dr. Alan Tusk

#2, 58-59, p.45

Chairman Professor W. J. Hamelt. Treasurer Dr. E. W. Baster  
Secretary Dr. Alan Tusk. Committee members.  
Professor Abernethy F.R.S., Professor Harrison, Miss Dendler,  
Drs. Bickham & Fox Mrs. Bellamy.  
Auditor Dr. Alan Tusk.

#2, p.51, Jan 61

Chairman Professor Hamelt  
Treasurer Dr Baster  
Secretary Dr. Fusk

#2, p.54, March 61

Propose Chair Prof. Hamilton  
Treas. Dr. Baxter  
Sec. Wt.

#1, p.22, June 61

Chairman Professor W.S. Hamilton  
Treasurer Dr. E.W. Baxter  
Sec. Dr. Allen Fisk

#1, June 61, p.23

Chairman Professor Hamilton  
Treasurer Dr. E.W. Baxter  
Secretary. - Joint Secs Dr. Elizabeth Dendler  
Allen Fisk

#2, p.56, April 62

Chairman Prof. Hamilton  
Treas. Dr. E.W. Baxter  
Joint Secs. Dr. E. Dendler Dr. A. Fisk

#1, June 62, p.23

The A.G.M. took place at 5.15 p.m. Professor Hamilton ~~having~~ expressed his willingness to retire from the office of Chairman which he had held for 10 years, Prof. D.R. Newth had been nominated by the Committee, and as there was no other nomination he was <sup>declared</sup> elected by the meeting. The Committee had also renominated Dr. Baxter as Treasurer, and Dr. Dendler as Secretary, and as there were no other nominations they were also elected without vote. In the Committee, it was suggested that Dr. Fisk should replace Dr. Dendler, and Prof. Hamilton replace Prof. Newth. Also that Dr. Billett and Dr. Benstead be co-opted as <sup>new</sup> ~~additional~~ members. Prof.



Officers for the Year 1963/4:

Chairman	Prof. D. R. Newth
Treasurer	Dr. E. W. Baxter
Secretary	Dr. E. M. Dundan

#2, p.62, June 63

The main business was to consider suggestions for new officers and Committee. Professor Hamilton expressed his readiness to resign as Chairman, and Prof. Newth was nominated to take his place. Dr. Baxter was re-nominated as Treasurer, and since Dr. Fisk wished to retire from the joint-secretaryship, Dr. Dundan was asked to continue as Secretary. It was then proposed that Dr. Fisk take Miss Dundan's place on the Committee, that Prof. Hamilton replace Prof. Newth on the Committee, and that Drs. Billett and Beustled be nominated for election as new Committee members. As there was no rule,

#1, June 63, p.25

COMMITTEE 1963-4 25.9.63

Chairman	Prof. D. R. Newth	
Treasurer	Dr. E. W. Baxter	* New member
Secretary	Miss E. M. Dundan	

Committee members: Dr. A. Fisk, Prof. W. F. Hamilton, Mrs. R. M. Bellairs, Dr. Backhouse, Dr. A. Curtis, Dr. L. Wolfpert, Dr. F. Billett\* + Dr. Beustled\*

#1, p.26, Sept. 63

Hospital Medical School. There was present Prof. Newth (in the chair), and Drs. Baxter, Bellairs, Beustled, Billett, Dundan & Wolfpert.

#1, March 64, p.31

A committee meeting was held on Thursday, 29th April, 1965 in Professor Newth's study in the Biology Department, Middlesex Hospital Medical School at 5 p.m. Professor Newth was in the chair.

Present: Drs. F. Billett, S. Smith, the Treasurer and the Secretary.

Apologies for absence: Professor Paul, Drs. Bellairs, Hemmings, Hughes, Dr. Gurdon and Professor Wardlaw were absent abroad.

April 65

# MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING 8.IX.65.

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 8th, 1965 in Room 31 at Bedford College London at 5.15.p.m.

## Present:-

Professor Newth (in the chair)  
Dr. Billett.  
Dr. Bellairs.  
Dr. New.  
Professor Paul.  
Dr. Smith.  
Dr. Deuchar (Secretary)

Apologies for absence were received for Drs. Hughes, Fisk and Professor Wardlaw.

Sept 65

# Minutes of Committee Meeting on November 20th, 1965.

A Committee Meeting was held in Room 103, Arts Building, Sussex University, at 5.15 p.m. on Saturday, November 20th, 1965.

Present: Professor Newth (in the chair), Drs. Bellairs, Billett, Gurdon, Hemmings, New, Smith, Fisk (treasurer) and Deuchar (secretary).

Apologies for absence had been received from Profs. Paul, Waddington and Wardlaw and from Dr. Hughes.

Professor Newth welcomed Dr. T. E. Thompson who had come to represent Dr. Hughes and to act as local secretary for the Bristol meeting in April, 1966.

Nov. 65

# Minutes of Committee Meeting on April 15th, 1966.

A Committee Meeting was held in the Wiglesworth Library, Zoology Department, University of Bristol, on Friday April 15th, 1966 at 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Professor Newth (in the Chair); Drs. Billett, Hughes, New, Smith, Fisk (Treasurer) and Deuchar (Secretary).

The Chairman welcomed Dr. J. McKenzie who had agreed to act as local Secretary for the Aberdeen meeting in July.

April 66



### Minutes of Annual General Meeting 12th July 1967

The meeting was held in the Physics Lecture Theatre, Bangor University.

Present Chairman (D.R. Newth), Secretary (F.S. Billett), Treasurer (A. Fisk) and 20 members (who signed the attendance sheet).

Election of New Members The following were elected members of the Society. Mrs. J. Clark, Dr. A.D. Hoyes, Dr. D.M. Hunt, Miss J. Metcalf, Dr. A.R. Morley, Dr. D. Pugh.

July 67

### Minutes of Annual General Meeting Tuesday 16th July 1968

The meeting was held in the Biochemistry Lecture Theatre, Glasgow University and commenced at 4.15 p.m.

Present Chairman (D. R. Newth), Secretary (F. S. Billett), Treasurer (A. Fisk) and 12 members.

Election of New Members The following were elected members of the Society. Professor C. R. Austin, Dr. Murray Brooks, Miss Marjorie England, Mr. J. D. Horton, Mr. R. J. Turner.

July 68

### BRITISH SOCIETY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY

### Minutes of the 5th Annual General Meeting held on Friday 25th July 1969

The meeting took place at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle and commenced at 9.30 am.

Present Chairman (Professor D.R.Newth), Secretary (Dr F.S.Billett), Treasurer (Dr A.Fisk) and 11 other members of the Society.

July 69

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Present Chairman (Professor D.R.Newth), Secretary (Dr.F.S.Billett), Treasurer (Dr.A.Fisk) and 11 other members of the Society.

July 69



Minutes of 9th Annual General Meeting of the British Society for Developmental Biology held on Wednesday 5th September, 1973 at 12.25pm. in the Lecture Theatre, School of Biology, University of Sussex.

Election of Officers and Committee for 1973-74: In the absence of other nominations the following officers were elected:

Chairman	Mr. M. Abercrombie, F.R.S.
Secretary	Dr. J.C. Campbell
Treasurer	Dr. J. McKenzie
Programme Sec.	Dr. D.A. Ede

Sept 73

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at University House, University of East Anglia, Norwich on Wednesday 11th September, 1974, at 8.15pm.

Mr. M. Abercrombie (Chairman), Drs. Ruth Bellairs, Anne McLaren, P. Barlow, D. Billington, R. Cole, R. Gardner, B. Hinchliffe, J. McKenzie, M. Snow, D. Tarin and J. Campbell (Secretary).

Sept. 74

MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING held in LECTURE THEATRE, ANATOMY DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GOWER STREET, LONDON on THURSDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1975 at 6.20 p.m.

J. McKenzie (Secretary) in the Chair, D. Ede (Programme Secretary), J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), J. C. Campbell, R. Cole, F. S. Billett, R. Barlow and M. Snow.

Jan 75

MINUTES of the RECONVENED SESSION of 10th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on THURSDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1975, at 6 p.m. in the LECTURE THEATRE, ANATOMY DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GOWER STREET, LONDON.

In the absence of the Chairman (Professor M. Abercrombie), Dr. J. McKenzie was elected to the Chair for the reconvened session.

Present: Dr. J. McKenzie (Treasurer) in the Chair, Dr. J. C. Campbell (Secretary), Dr. D. Ede (Programme Secretary) and 30 other members.

Jan 75

MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING held in McNAIR HALL OF RESIDENCE, UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL on THURSDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 1975 from 18.00 to 19.00 hours and continued on FRIDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER, 1975 from 08.45 to 09.45 hours.

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Anne McLaren (Chairman), Michael Abercrombie (Honorary President), John McKenzie (Secretary), J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), Michael Balls, Peter Barlow, Frank Billet, W. David Billington and Richard Gardner.

Sept 75

MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING held in QUEEN MARGARET HALL, UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW on WEDNESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 1976 at 20.30 hours.

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Drs. Anne McLaren (Chairman), John McKenzie (Secretary), J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), D. A. Ede (Programme Secretary), M. Balls, F. Billett, R. Cole, R. Gardiner, M. Snow, R. Williamson, R. E. Gore-Langton, G. Goldspink (co-opted) and D. R. Garrod (by invitation).

Sept. 76

MINUTES of 12th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on THURSDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER, 1976 at 12.15 hours in the LECTURE THEATRE, ZOOLOGY DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW.

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Anne McLaren (Chairman), J. McKenzie (Secretary), J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), D. Ede (Programme Secretary), Marilyn Monk, A. Jurand, W. Tampion, F. Billett, O. K. Wilby, O. P. Flint, J. Lewis, A. Lansdown, C. Margoles, R. E. Gore-Langton, M. H. L. Snow, Juan Hurle, R. Williamson, L. Wolpert, R. J. Cole, R. A. Kille, S. Goel, D. R. Newth, A. H. M. Douglas, H. McM. Dyer, Diana J. Watt, Valerie B. Morris, M. Balls, R. Gardner, G. Goldspink, J. P. Williams, D. Forman, D. R. Garrod.

Sept. 76



MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING held in  
the MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL,  
CLEVELAND STREET, LONDON on THURSDAY,  
6th JANUARY, 1977 at 17.15 hours.

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Drs. Anne McLaren (Chairman), John McKenzie (Secretary),  
J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), David Billington (Programme  
Secretary), Michael Balls, F. S. Billett, Lynn Fraser,  
Michael Snow, David Garrod, Robert Gore-Langton, J. C.  
Campbell, R. Williamson, Peter Barlow, Richard Gardner. In  
attendance: Dr. Jack Cohen.

Jan 77

MINUTES of 13th ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING held on WEDNESDAY, 14th  
SEPTEMBER, 1977 at 12.15 hours in  
the LECTURE THEATRE, DEPARTMENT OF  
ZOOLOGY AND COMPARATIVE PHYSIOLOGY,  
UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM.

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Anne McLaren (Chairman), John McKenzie (Secretary),  
J. R. Hinchliffe (Treasurer), W. D. Billington (Programme  
Secretary), Michael Balls, Frank Billett, J. C. Campbell,  
Jack Cohen, Norman R. Cohen, Roger Downie, Philip Dyer,  
Farzin Farzaneh, Lynn R. Fraser, Richard Gardner, David  
Garrod, J. S. M. Hutchinson, Eric J. Jenkinson, D. R.  
Johnson, Martin Johnson, John Keith, Alan Lansdown,  
C. Margoles, U. Petzoldt, Roger Searle, Michael H. L.  
Snow, Horst Spielman, Martin Stanisstreet, Peter  
Thorogood, Suzanne L. Ullmann, Frank T. G. Webb, Arthur  
Wild, J. P. Williams, Christopher C. Wylie.

Sept. 77

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOTANY DEPARTMENT,  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON, ON 29 MARCH, 1979

Present: Anne McLaren (in the Chair), Michael Balls, J.R. Hinchliffe,  
W.D. Billington, F.S. Billett, D.R. Garrod, Lynne Fraser,  
C.C. Wylie, J.B.L. Bard, Gillian Morriss, D.A. Ede, John  
McKenzie, Farzin Farzaneh.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr. J.D. Horton, Dr. M.H.  
Johnson and Professor R. Williamson.

March 79

## Period from 65-79

### Chair

D.R. Newth (Sept+Nov 65, Apr 66, Jul 67, Jul 68, Jul 69)

Michael Abercrombie (Sep 73, Sep 74, Jan 75 - Honorary President in Sept. 75)

Anne McLaren (Sep 75, Sep 76, Jan 77, Sep 77, Mar 79)

### Secretary

Deuchar (Sept + Nov 65, Apr 66)

F.S. Billett (July 67, Jul 68, Jul 69)

J.C. Campbell (Sep 73, Sep 74, Jan 75)

John McKenzie (Jan 75, Sept 75, Sep 76, Jan 77, Sep 77)

### Treasurer

Fisk (Nov 65, Apr 66, Jul 67, Jul 68, Jul 69)

J. McKenzie (Sep 73)

J.R. Hinchliffe (Jan75, Sep 75, Sep 76, Jan 77, Sep 77)

### Programme secretary

D.A. Ede (Sep 73, Jan 75, Sep 76)

David Billington (Jan 77, Sep 77)