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Thomas Ahern



**University of Melbourne
MB BS (Melbourne) 1942
DLO (MELB) 1948**

Honorary Consultant ENT Surgeon

Tom Ahern was born in 1919 the third of five children of Thomas and Nora Ahern who were the founders of Ahern's Department Store.

Tom was educated at Mary's Mount Kalamunda and then Christian Brothers College in St Georges Terrace. He graduated in Medicine in Melbourne in 1942 and then completed his specialist qualifications there.

He met his wife Irene Savage, then a nurse in Bruce Rock Hospital and later commenced specialist practice in Perth.

He is remembered fondly as a congenial and interested teacher. His own hearing impairment gave him great empathy with his patients. His interests included care of those at Bindoon Boys' Town and the Claremont Football Club. Tom showed sporting prowess in tennis, squash, golf and cricket plus he was an ardent follower of the Sport of Kings but also a nature lover and was particularly interested in wildflowers and native birds.

His professional career was cruelly and prematurely terminated by a major dominant hemisphere stroke.

Tom and his wife had seven children including Tom junior who became a veterinary surgeon and Denis a physiotherapist.

Tom Ahern died of cancer in March 1981 but will be remembered as an archetypical specialist consultant of the post World War II period before the present era of immediate focus on specialization after graduation.



Nicholas Anastas



University of Sydney
MB BS Hons (Sydney) 1959
FRCS (Edin) 1965 FRACS 1967

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

Nicholas Anastas was born in Fremantle in June 1933 the son of Constantine Nicholas Anastas, greengrocer and Mary (nee) Kanganas. He studied medicine at the University of Sydney qualifying MB BS with honours in 1959.

He was a junior Resident Medical Officer at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital from 1960-61 and Senior General Resident Medical Officer at that hospital 1961-62. Nick joined the Royal Perth Hospital staff as a General Surgical Registrar 1962-64. He obtained his FRCS(Edin) in 1965 and was appointed Senior Orthopaedic Registrar 1965-67. Nick was appointed Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon to the Royal Perth Hospital and the Princess Margaret Hospital for Children in 1968.

Nick Anastas performed the first Harrington's instrumentation for scoliosis in Western Australia and was early in the field of developing expertise in lower limb joint arthroplasty.

He was co-author of a paper with Professor Byron Kakulas "Muscle Response to Trauma".

In 1965 Nick married and he and his wife have two sons one is an Ophthalmologist and the other an Orthopaedic Technician.

Outside of medicine Nick has an interest in horse racing and is a keen collector of wines.

Nicholas Anastas retired from the staff of the Royal Perth Hospital in 1999 and in recognition of his service to the hospital over a period of 31 years he was appointed Emeritus Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon.



Trevor ApSimon



University of Bristol
MB ChB (Bristol) 1954
DRCOG (London) 1958
DMRD (London) 1962
FRCR 1964 FRACR 1970

Consultant Neuroradiologist

Trevor ApSimon was born in Merseyside UK in 1930 the son of Dr Trevor ApSimon a general practitioner. He attended the University of Bristol graduating in Medicine in 1954. He became a Fellow of the Royal College of Radiologists in 1964 and a Fellow of the Australian College in 1970.

After a Senior Registrar post at the Cardiff Royal Infirmary in Cardiff he was appointed Consultant Radiologist to the Plymouth Group in 1966 developing mammography which led to the ultimate adoption of mammographic cancer screening.

He came to Perth in 1968 having been appointed Head of the Department of Diagnostic Radiology at the Royal Perth Hospital. There he set about re-organising and re-equipping the Department, his strength, direction and drive, making it one of the leading radiology departments in Australia, a position it has maintained since then.

After this mammoth task he developed an interest in vascular and interventional neuroradiology developing intravascular coils, detachable and calibrated leak balloons and other micro catheters for intracranial and research worker in the West Australian Brain Ateriovenous Malformation Treatment Survey. This was based at the Royal Perth Hospital and continues in the new millinium.

Doctor ApSimon was the first doctor in Australia to use a detachable ballon to treat Carotico-cavernous fistula and used tissue glue embolisations in intrinsic brain and spinal vascular malformations. He was also the first to use Guglielmi Detachable Coils for intracranial aneurysms. Not surprisingly he was a Founder Member of the World Federation of Interventional and Therapeutic Neuroradiologist and Allied Diciplines. His seminal contributions in interventional radiology led the Royal Perth Hospital to be one of the first to receive Federal funding as a Specialist Ineterventional Neuroradiology unit in Australia. He was Councillor and President (1990-91) of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists.

Trevor is married to Joy nee Viveash. They have two children; their son (dec.) was a pharmacist. His multiple interests outside of medicine include history, renaissance art, photography, tennis and rowing and an acquired love of Australian Wines. On his retirement and in recognition of his service to the hospital he was made Emeritus Consultant Neuroradiologist.



Peter Barnes



University of Sydney
MB BS (Hons)(Sydney) 1959
FRCS Edin 1979, FRCS Eng 1965 FRACS 1974

Consultant ENT Surgeon

Peter Barnes was born in Guildford NSW on 15th January 1935 the son of Henry Thomas Barnes, an accountant and Dorothy nee O'Donohue. He studied medicine at Sydney University and graduated MB BS with honours in 1959.

He served as a Junior Intern at St Vincents Hospital in 1959 and then moved to the Royal Adelaide Hospital in 1960. In 1963 he was appointed Demonstrator in Anatomy at Sydney University. He obtained the FRCS in 1965, FRACS in 1974 and FRCS(Edin) in 1979. Following a period as a registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital he was appointed Consultant ENT surgeon in 1973. Peter also held appointments at St Anne's Hospital (1973-1999) and the South Perth Community Hospital.

He was visiting ENT surgeon to the Geraldton Region 1973-1999 including the Wandalgu Mission. Peter completed his National Service in the RAAF at Pt. Cook in 1955. He has been a member of St John's Ambulance since 1973 and a part time tutor at the University of Western Australia in Ear, Nose and Throat surgery. He was involved with colleagues in the early phases of head and neck reconstruction in W.A. and was probably the first to use a Delto Pectoral Flap in neck reconstruction.

Outside of medicine he is interested in music, windsurfing and four wheel driving. He also undertook an undergraduate arts course at Notre Dame University gaining majors in Philosophy and History.

In 1964 he married Sundstrid Dagmar who is also a doctor and a consultant ophthalmologist.

Peter retired from the Royal Perth Hospital in July 1999 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant ENT surgeon.



Nicholas Batalin



University of Sydney
MB BS (Sydney) 1966
FRACS (Orthopaedics) 1976

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

Nick Batalin was born in China in 1941. His father Dimitri Batalin and his mother Alpha nee Sulimovski were of Russian nobility.

He graduated from Sydney University following which he held resident appointments at the Royal Newcastle Hospital NSW. He first came to Western Australia in 1968 as a registrar in the Department of Neuropathology at the Royal Perth Hospital followed by two years as Lecturer in Anatomy at the University of Western Australia.

In 1973 he returned to New South Wales as a registrar in the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons orthopaedic training programme. This extended over a number of hospitals, the Royal Newcastle Hospital, the Margaret Reid Orthopaedic Hospital, the Prince of Wales Hospital and the Royal North Shore Hospital.

Returning to Western Australia he was appointed Spinal unit registrar in 1976 and Assistant Surgeon to that unit at the Royal Perth Hospital and the Perth Rehabilitation Hospital in 1978. He also acted as locum orthopaedic surgeon to RPH.

In 1986 he was appointed Surgeon to the Spinal Unit at the RPH and RP(R)H with cover to all major teaching hospitals. He has made a number of contributions to the world literature in his specialty - the treatment of spinal injuries.

Nick has also held a number of other appointments as an orthopedic surgeon including St John of God Hospital Subiaco, and the Bentley Hospital from 1980 onwards. He also acted as a consultant orthopedic surgeon to Irrabeena - the Authority for the intellectually handicapped from 1984-1990 and as consultant to the Quadriplegic Center from 1978 onwards.

Nick is happily married to Heather who was a nurse. They have four daughters, one Amanda, is a nursing sister at the King Edward Memorial Hospital.

His interests outside of medicine include the restoration of heritage buildings and hobby farming. Nick retired in 2001 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon.



Colin Bayliss



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1951
MRACP 1970, FRACP 1974

Consultant Rheumatologist

Colin Bayliss was born in Perth Western Australia on the 8 August 1921, the son of Evan Beverley Bayliss, an import agent and Gladys nee Winterbottom. His father died when he was ten and through force of circumstances he left school when he was 15. Colin's first job was at the Royal Perth Hospital where he was employed in a very junior capacity.

In the Second World War he joined the RAAF and became a bomber pilot with the rank of Warrant Officer. While piloting a Lancaster bomber over Europe he was shot down and was sheltered by a French family but eventually he was captured by the Germans and spent two and a quarter years in a prisoner of war camp. He later wrote an autobiography about this in a book "No Flying Without Wings" published in 1994.

After the war Colin enrolled in the Medical School at Adelaide University and completed his MB BS in 1951. He came back to Western Australia and was a resident medical officer at Fremantle Hospital. For the next 13 years, 1953-66, he was a general practitioner in Bunbury. Colin was then appointed Medical Registrar at the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, Melbourne, having taken time off from General Practice (1957-58). In 1963 he was Medical Registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital, then in 1967 he went to the Northern General Hospital, Edinburgh for training in Rheumatology.

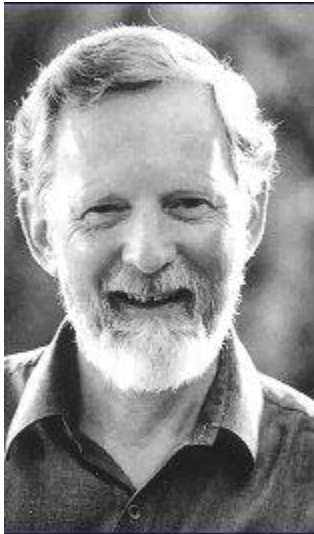
In 1970 Colin was made MRACP and in 1974 FRACP. He was appointed Consultant Rheumatologist at the Royal Perth Hospital and later Head of the Department of Rheumatic Diseases 1979-86.

Colin has written a number of scientific papers mostly on aspects of Rheumatology. He was also a founding member of the Arthritis Association of W.A. In 1948 he married Janet Twycross and they have three sons two of whom are doctors.

Outside of medicine he was interested in Hockey, Squash, Cricket and Sailing. Later he took up bowls and was a member of the Dalkeith Bowling Club. He was keen on woodwork and home renovations, classical music and not surprisingly remembering his war-time experience in France, the French language. Colin retired 1986 and was appointed an Emeritus Consultant. However, he carried on as a Locum Rheumatologist until 1991. He died in January 2004.



Peter G. Beahan



University of Western Australia
MB BS (WA) 1964
FFARACS 1968
D.Obst RCOG 1966 LMCC 1972
FANZCA 1992 DA (Dublin) 1967

Consultant Anaesthetist

Peter Beahan was born in London in August 1939, the son of Francis Beahan an automotive electrician and Grace nee Hemmings.

His early education was at Salesian College, Battersea UK, until he was 15 when the family came to live in Perth, and continued at Christian Brothers High School, Highgate. Peter studied medicine at the University of Western Australia graduating MBBS in 1964. He worked briefly with the Department of Territories in Papua and New Guinea, spent time serving as a junior medical officer at the Royal Perth Hospital and then as an anatomy demonstrator at the University of Western Australia. After a term of obstetrics at Southend-on-sea UK, he started his anaesthesia career at Southend before returning to RPH as an anaesthetics registrar, gaining his Australian Fellowship in 1968.

Peter was appointed a full time Consultant Anaesthetist in 1968. He was recognised as a highly competent anaesthetist, sub specializing in anaesthesia for cardiac surgery and extracorporeal perfusion. He was Chairman of the Department of Anaesthesia from 1982 to 1985 and acted as supervisor of anaesthetic training at the PRH from 1974 to 1981. He was secretary to the cardiac anaesthetic group, Bypass Discussion Group and Anaesthetist in charge of perfusion from 1989 to 1996. In addition to these responsibilities he was a member of the Division of Surgery and Secretary of the Clinical Association for two years.

Peter was the regional Faculty Education Officer for nine years, and chaired the committee coordinating undergraduate teaching and represented the regional committee of the Faculty on the WA Resuscitation Council. During his career he worked as an Associate Professor at the Montreal General Hospital and McGill University, also briefly as a Senior Registrar at RAAF Butterworth, Visiting Fellow at Halifax Infirmary, Canada and Consultant Anaesthetist at Beaumont Hospital Dublin. He also worked for several periods as a cardiac anaesthetist in the Middle East, including a year as cardiac anaesthetist at Doha, Qatar.

Peter retired as a full time consultant in 1994, becoming a visiting consultant anaesthetist, retiring from this position in 1996. Peter has five children, Catherine, Lara and Felicity from his first wife Hilary (nee) Kiddle. Ciaran and Timothy from his second wife Lynette (nee) Schofield. He is now married to Billie (nee) Meeham.



David Booth



**University of Western Australia
BDS (UWA) 1959. MDS (UWA) 1970
FRCDS 1971. MACE 1976
FRCPA (Faculty of Oral Path) 1996
Fellow Int Coll. Dentistry 1986**

Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon

David Robert Booth was born at Southport, England on 27th of August 1937, the son of Robert Booth, Master Mariner and Mary a teacher.

David graduated BDS from the University of Western Australia in 1959. He was Surgical Registrar at the Perth Dental Hospital 1966-70, and Senior Lecturer in Oral Pathology at the Perth Dental Hospital 1971-1990. David was Senior Registrar, Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, England 1973-74 and Clinical Assistant, Cardiff Dental Hospital, Welsh National School of Medicine 1983. He was Part-time Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Perth Dental Hospital in 1991 and 1992. David was Senior Lecturer in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Western Australia from 1992 to 2002.

David Booth was appointed Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital on July 1st 1969. He was Spokesperson for the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons at RPH and Director of Training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

David married Judith Savage in 1961. They have four children, three sons and one daughter.

David was committed to education. He was Vice-President of Wesley College Parents and Friends Association 1979-81, a member of the Schools Commission Committee to review Community Education Centres in WA 1980-81, President of the WA Federation of Independent Schools Parents and Friends Association 1980-81 and an invited member of Plan International Australia in 1999. He was International Officer of the South Perth Apex Club in 1963-64, Secretary of The New Church in Australia 1964-73, Secretary of The Australian New Church College Council in 1973-82 and 1986-88 and Leader of The Perth Society of the New Church in 1981-82 and 1990-92.

David Booth retired in December 2002 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon.



Richard Bruce



University of London
MB BS (Lond) 1966
FFARCS (Lond) 1971
FRARACS 1977. FRCA 1992
FANZCA 1992

Consultant Anaesthetist

Richard Bruce was born in Gloucester, England in August 1942 the son of Robert Richard F. Bruce, a senior lecturer in music at Cardiff University and Beatrice (nee) Tomboline, a registered nurse. He received his early education at St Neot's Preparatory School, followed by Rugby School going onto Middlesex Hospital, London to study medicine, graduating in 1966.

His house officer terms were spent at Cheltenham and Gloucester hospitals for two years. He started Anaesthesia training in 1968 at the Royal Berkshire Hospital. After a locum at Norwich moved to Cardiff, gaining his Fellowship of the Faculty of Anaesthesia Royal College of Surgeons in 1971.

Richard with his second wife Kay emigrated to Western Australia in January 1971, and was appointed a Senior Registrar in Anaesthesia at the Royal Perth Hospital becoming Consultant Anaesthetist in March 1973. He served the Hospital as a full time anaesthetist until retiring in January 2001 when he was appointed Emeritus Consultant Anaesthetist.

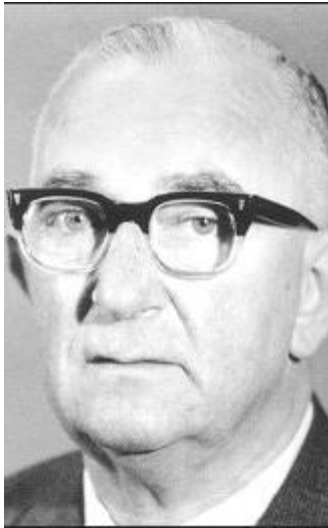
During his career at the Royal Perth Hospital he was appointed Chairman and Head of the Anaesthesia Department from 1985 to 1996 and became very involved with hospital administration. This included secondment to medical administration for a period of nine months in 1994. He chaired the Division of Surgery, Medical Advisory Committee and Infectious Control Committee during his time as head of Anaesthesia and was a member of the Royal Perth Hospital Board from 1992 to 1995 when the Board was ended.

Richard was a member of the W. A. Regional Committee of the Faculty of Anaesthetists for seven years, chairing it for three years, and was a member of the Statewide Anaesthetic Mortality Committee for seven years. He was a founder member of the Statewide Reference Group which liaised on anaesthesia practice between general practitioners and specialists, and was a surveyor with the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards for 10 years.

He had a major role in the establishment of the Acute Pain Service and has specialized in major burns anaesthesia and the management of difficult airways. Richard has a daughter from his first marriage to Frances. His wife Pauline is a trained nurse. He is a keen gardener, photographer and cabinet maker with a love of music and good food.



Frederick Clark



University of Melbourne
MB BS (Melb) 1922
FCSA (to become FRACS) 1928
FCCP 1958

Honorary Consultant Thoracic Surgeon

Three years after graduation, Dr Clark was appointed to the Royal Perth Hospital after a brief residency at Fremantle Hospital demonstrated his superior ability. He was a left-hander who became ambidextrous and developed such surgical skill he was called "one of the world's great surgeons".

Initially a general surgeon, he focused on neurosurgery and thoracic surgery, devising many instruments. After the Second World War he confined his interest to thoracic surgery.

In the War (1940-43), he became a Lieutenant Colonel as Senior Surgeon of the 2/7th Australian General Hospital in the Middle East where he designed and staffed a Mobile Field Operating Unit used just behind the front line, the first, in the Australian army. From 1943 to 1946 he was Colonel, Commanding Officer of the 118th Australian Military Hospital in Northam.

After the war he was involved in the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis as Consultant Thoracic Surgeon to Woorloo Sanatorium but the lack of metropolitan treatment for tuberculosis led Dr Clark (and Dr Alan King) to seek help, resulting in the building of the Perth Chest Hospital later to become Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, where he continued in active surgery until 1968.

For years Chairman of the State Committee of the College, he played a seminal role in the planning and rebuilding of the Royal Perth Hospital in 1957 and later strove and assisted in the establishment of the Medical School and selection of its foundation staff members. In 1947 the Thoracic Surgical Unit was officially established for surgery of the respiratory system and concurrently Dr Clark pioneered surgery of the heart and great vessels. In 1951 he performed the first intracardiac operation (closed mitral valvotomy) in Western Australia.

At the request of the Commonwealth Government in 1956, Dr Clark took the first thoracic surgical team (recruited from RPH staff) to Port Moresby in the Australian Territory of New Guinea for surgical treatment of tuberculosis and again in 1957.

He was considered a perfectionist in all things being a scratch golfer and Foundation member at Lake Karrynup Golf Club and outstanding gunshot and snooker player. The accolades of his colleagues attest to the privilege of friendship with this man who had a great sense of fun, a zest for living and for the best things in life. He was recognised as one of Western Australia's great surgeons by the naming of the



F.J.Clark Lecture Theatre at the Perth Medical Centre in 1975.

Dr Clark, who had two sons by his first marriage, died in August 1970. His wife Lou (nee Shenton) died in January 2002.



Geoffrey Clarke



**University of Western Australia
MB BS (WA) 1963. DARCPs 1966
FFARCS 1968. FANZCA 1992
FFARACS 1975 (Intensive care)
FFIC, ANZCA 1993. FJICM 2002**

Consultant in Intensive Care

Geoffrey was born in West Midland (WA) in 1940 the son of Ronald Gordon Clarke a Master Builder and Iva Amelia, nee Fernihough.

He graduated MB BS (WA) in 1963 and won the Helen Lannard Prize for Surgery. For the next two years he was a RMO at Royal Perth Hospital. In 1965 he married Susan Clements who was then a staff nurse at RPH and they then went overseas. He was first a Senior House Officer at the Royal Sussex Hospital and in 1967 moved to Scotland as an Anaesthetics Registrar at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow. At the time he already held a diploma in anaesthesia and in 1968 became a Fellow of the Faculty of Anaesthetists of the Royal College of Surgeons. In that same year he was a research fellow in the hyperbaric unit of the University Department of Anaesthesia and Surgery at the Western Infirmary in Glasgow.

The couple returned to Perth in 1969 and Geoffrey was taken on as a Senior Registrar in the Intensive Care unit at RPH. The following year he was appointed Head of the Intensive Care Unit a position he continued to hold until his retirement in 2003. Over the years he served at one time or another on most of Royal Perth Hospital Committees.

The 1970s saw the development of Intensive Care units at the major Australian Hospitals. Geoffrey was at the forefront and in 1977 he was the National President and first Australian President of the Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society and from 1980 through to 1991 first as a member and later as Chairman of the Board of examiners ANZCA in Intensive Care Medicine. He became Dean of The Faculty of Intensive Care in 1993, a position he held for many years. Here his good humour, his diplomacy, as a great raconteur were apparent, that is apart from his great skill as a clinician and teacher.

Recognition of his outstanding service followed - in 1988 he was given one of three inaugural outstanding service awards at RPH; in 1996 the Orton Medal the highest award to a practicing fellow from ANZCA when he was described as a titan amongst intensivists, and finally his efforts were recognized nationally by being made a member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 1998.

Geoffrey contributed to world literature mostly in manuals of instruction in intensive care. He has also written about chest injuries, multiple organ failure, and septic shock.



Without doubt Geoff's achievements owe much to the support of his wife Sue and together they have raised four children all successful in their chosen fields.

His interest in other pursuits include - farming, fishing and trekking.



Miles Clarke



**University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1942**

Hon Clinical Assistant Physician

Miles de Courcy Clarke was born in Perth in February 1920, the son of Professor E de Clarke after whom was named the E. de Clarke Geological Museum at the University of Western Australia. He was educated at Hale School and Adelaide University and entered the Army Medical Corps in 1944 serving in Queensland and New Guinea.

Post war he practiced in Kalgoorlie where in 1953 he descended into a 183m mine shaft to help rescue several trapped miners. While in Kalgoorlie he commenced a fifty year involvement with the St John Ambulance Brigade culminating as State Commissioner 1977-81.

Moving to Perth in 1956 he commenced General Practice which continued until a few years before his death. He gave many years service as a physician at The Royal Perth Hospital and was a member of the Board for 10 years from 1973. He was a member of the Board of Visitors at Greylands Hospital from 1970 to 1992.

He thrived on obstetrics and was well known for delivering a baby in the middle of the night and arriving next morning with a freshly-picked rose from his garden to present to the new mother. Dr Clarke was lively with an engaging personality and a whimsical sense of humour. He was famous for his home grown vegetables and beautiful roses and for hand feeding magpies. An avid bee keeper he would joke "I'm going to label it 'Honey - better by Miles'".

He had a great love of classical music, carpentry and his dogs, Fred and Angus, who accompanied him at his Saturday surgery. He was very close to his brothers John and Stuart and with his wife delighted family gatherings. Mrs. Clarke died in 1995 just after their golden wedding anniversary. For his exemplary contribution in both his volunteer work for St John Ambulance and in his medical practice he was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 1999. He died in Perth in August 2001.



Maxwell P. Connor



**University of Melbourne
MB BS, Melbourne 1956
FRACP 1963**

Consultant Physician

Max Connor was born in Perth, Western Australia in 1932 the son of Daniel Ignatius Connor, a State Civil Servant and Blanche (nee White). He undertook his medical studies at the University of Melbourne graduating MB BS in 1956.

He was appointed a medical registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital and spent some time working in Haematology as registrar in charge following the departure of the then Head of the department, Dr W.R.Pitney.

After obtaining his FRACP in 1963 he was appointed Consultant Physician in 1964. Max was Clinical Sub Dean at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1975, and at various times he was:- Chairman, Department of Internal Medicine; Secretary, and then Chairman of the Royal Perth Hospital Clinical Association; Member of the Medical Advisory Committee; Member of the Laboratory Advisory Committee; Member of the Building Advisory Committee and a Member of the Medical Division Executive.

Max had a major role in setting up the Inter Hospital Liaison Committee and the Specialist Accounting Service. He was also responsible for changing the title of General Physician to Internal Medicine Physician.

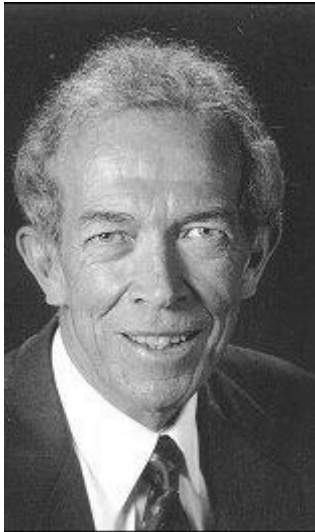
In 1958 Max married Margaret Joan Burgess and they have ten children: six sons and four daughters. Two sons and one daughter are doctors and two daughters are nurses.

Outside of medicine he is interested in music, horse racing, Bridge and cooking.

Max retired in 1999 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Physician.



Neil G. Cumpston



University of Adelaide
MB BS, Adelaide 1958
MRCP 1967 FRACP 1973

Consultant Cardiologist

Neil Cumpston was born in 1935 when his father, Dr Lancelot Graham Bowser Cumpston was the Dwellingup Medical Officer later to be appointed to the Royal Perth Hospital as Consultant Anaesthetist from 1938 until 1968. His mother (Dr Rosalie Gollan), was one of the first female Obstetricians in Perth.

Cardiology became his passion from his first residency at the RPH as RMO to Dr Thomas Cullity. In 1961 he left Australia for London to train under Professor John Goodwin and Dr Aubrey Leatham, returning to Perth in 1965.

He was appointed Assistant Physician in Cardiology to the RPH and Princess Margaret Hospital for Children in 1968 and set about driving Cardiology forward and was the first to implant a Transvenous Pacemaker which in those days often lasted only six days! After a sojourn in Cleveland with Dr Mason Sones Jr. in 1970 where Coronary Arteriography originated he returned to RPH to introduce the technique, enabling the establishment of Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery here.

After being astounded to read of Coronary Angioplasty in the Lancet in 1978 he travelled to Zurich to witness this technique and was responsible for introducing it to the RPH in 1980. Meanwhile he was Head of Cardiology from 1977-83 and had leadership roles in the State Committee of the RACP, Board of the National Heart Foundation and the Laboratory Advisory Committee of the RPH and was a Councillor for the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand from 1991-1997. He was President of the Milligan Society 1988-1991 at the time it became known that his Canadian cousin, Freda Weaver (nee Cumpston) was related to Dr William Milligan, the Royal Perth Hospital's first doctor.

Although Neil started as very much a Clinician he later became a true Interventional Cardiologist as well. He was also involved in the Busselton Population Studies. He was author of many scientific papers and was invited onto the Editorial Board of "Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions" and later was appointed a Trustee of this Society, the only Australian ever in both roles.

His other interests include the Royal WA Historical Society. He played regularly in Veterans Hockey until 1984 and Hobie Cat sailing, representing Australia. Other interests are Maseratis, oenology, genealogy and cycling. He is also a lover of classical music.



In Adelaide Neil met and then married Beverley Anne Greig in 1959. In Neil's own words his marriage to Beverley was the "The best thing that ever happened to me". On his retirement from the Hospital that he loved and served he was appointed Emeritus Consultant Cardiologist in 2001 ending a continuous period from 1938 to 2000 with a "Cumpston" on the RPH Clinical Staff.



Rowan M. Davidson



University of Western Australia
MB BS 1975
MRANZCP 1980
FRANZCP 1983

Consultant Psychiatrist

Rowan Davidson was born in Subiaco Perth on 16th May 1950 the son of John Alexander Davidson a Photographer and Alison nee Tuckett.

He received his medical education at the University of Western Australia qualifying MB BS in 1975. Following RMO and Registrar appointments he moved to London where he was appointed Clinical Research Assistant at St Bartholomew's Hospital from 1981 to 1983. He was made a Fellow of the Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists in 1983.

Rowan returned to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1983 and was appointed Consultant Psychiatrist and was Head of Department from 1990 to 1995. He was a member of the Change Management Group and chair of the organizational structures committee. Rowan has also been Treasurer of the Clinical Staff Association, Chair of Inner City District Mental Health Operations Group and Coordinator Central Incident Workshops for staff training.

Rowan is a Member of the Royal Society of Medicine and the Australian Society of Hypnosis.

In 1986 he married Jane Newstead and they have two children, a son and a daughter.

Outside of medicine Rowan is interested in martial arts, ju jitsu, pentjak (Indonesian karate) and Tai Chi.

Rowan Davidson retired in June 2002 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Psychiatrist.



Michael Down



Universities of London and Western Australia
BDS (Lond) 1970
MDSc (UWA) 1979
FRACDS 1977 RACDS
ANZAOMS. AOMS (UK)

Consultant Maxillofacial Surgeon

Michael Down was born in Plymouth England in June 1948 the son of Cyril Henry Down and Agnes nee Moon.

Michael graduated BDS from the University of London in 1970 and from 1971 to 1975 he did hospital training in the UK. He then moved to Australia where he was appointed a registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital. In 1982 he was appointed Consultant Oral Surgeon. Michael was also appointed Oral Surgeon at Fremantle Hospital from 1984 to 1988.

Michael Down married Vicki Ayres in 1977 and they have two children a son and a daughter.

Outside of Dentistry he is interested in fishing, golf, skiing and tennis. Michael Down retired in May 2002 after 27 years at the Royal Perth Hospital and was appointed Emeritus Consultant.



Deryck J. Eggleston



**Universities Western Australia and London
B. Dental Sc. (U.W.A.) 1956
MB BS. (London) 1964 MRCS. LRCP. 1964
FRACDS 1968 FASRCS 1970**

Consultant Oral Surgeon

Deryck John Eggleston was born in Kalgoorlie on 11th March 1933, the son of Frank Eggleston, a Pharmacist and Gertrude nee Aldridge. He was educated at Christ Church Grammar School and then entered the Dental School at the University of Western Australia. After qualifying as a dentist he went to London in 1956 to study medicine at University College Hospital qualifying MB BS in 1964. He began training in the then new specialty of Oral and Maxillo-facial surgery from 1968 to 1972 at Kings College Hospital London and the Eastman Dental Institute London under eminent oral surgeons Mr N. Rowe and Professor H. Killey.

On returning to Perth in 1973 he was given the first dual appointment in oral surgery to both the Royal Perth Hospital and the Perth Dental Hospital where the University School of Dentistry was based.

Deryck was appointed a Consultant at Fremantle Hospital in 1974 and made a visiting lecturer to the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of W.A.

Professionally he has focused his attention on training registrars in the specialty of Oral and Maxillo-facial surgery and he has introduced a range of osteotomy surgical procedures to Western Australia.

He is a member of the Australian Medical Association, the Australian Dental Association and the Australian and New Zealand Oral and Maxillofacial Association. He is the co-author of a book "A Manual of Oral Medicine" (Nally and Eggleston) in 1972 which ran to three editions. He has had published some 20 scientific papers in Australian and International Journals.

Outside of dentistry Deryck is interested in Golf and Bridge. He is a member of the WA. Cricket Association and the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club. He is also interested in Genealogy.

In 1963 Deryck married Dianne Tomlinson and they have two sons, Seth is a dentist and Toby is a lawyer.

Deryck retired in 1999 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Oral Surgeon.



Kenneth Fitch



**University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1955
MD (UWA) 1975. FRACGP 1968
FACSP 1989. FACRM 1990**

Consultant in Sports Medicine

Ken Fitch was born in Subiaco in 1932 the son of Harry Duncan Fitch, a pharmacist and Edna Cecily nee Cohen. He received his early medical education in Adelaide there being no medical faculty in Perth at the time. During vacations in his medical course he was employed by the Royal Perth Hospital as a pharmacy assistant.

As a Subiaco General Practitioner he became interested in health programmes particularly those related to sports. He established in 1969 (with the late Sir George Bedbrook) a sports and soft tissue injury clinic which he headed until July 2001.

For forty years Ken has played a leading role in sports medicine. From the Olympic games of 1972 onwards he has served as a physician and from 1975 to 1984 he was the Chief physician at the Games. He established National Sports medicine courses for doctors in 1981 and also commenced swimming classes for asthma sufferers in 1971. His extensive knowledge led to his appointment by the University as Adjunct Professor in the department of Human Movement and Exercise Science in 1993.

He has always been to the fore in relation to the well being of Athletes as shown by his involvement in no less than 12 Olympic Games.

Ken has written extensively on Sports Medicine, illustrated by more than 58 articles in preferred journals, 28 book chapters and has been editor of seven books.

His work has been recognised in a number of ways - he was made a member of the Order of Australia in 1979 and was named WA Citizen of the Year (Sport) in 1998. His interest in sport seems unending for he is currently the inaugural medical co-coordinator for the West Coast Eagles.

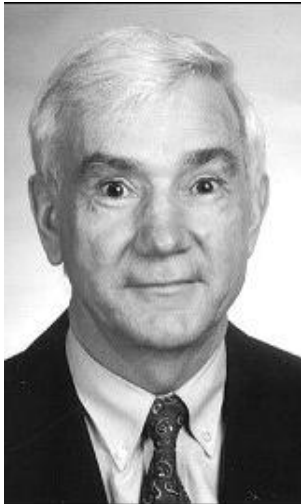
Ken married Valerie June Philpot (a RPH nurse from 1951-57) in 1967 and they have a family of five, four daughters and a son. Amongst these there is now a psychiatrist, two physiotherapists and one occupational therapist.

Outside the above activities, Ken enjoys swimming and golf.

Ken Fitch retired from the Royal Perth Hospital in September 2001 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant in Sports Medicine.



Richard Fox



Universities of Western Australia and Oxford
B.Sc. (Hons) (UWA) 1964
D. Phil (Oxon) 1970

Medical Physicist

Richard Fox was born in Perth in July 1943 the son of Alan Fox, a businessman and Rosalind nee Morris. He received his early education at Aquinas College, Perth and with a Commonwealth Scholarship proceeded to the University of Western Australia to study physics, graduating B.Sc. in 1964 with first class honours.

For family reasons he was unable to take up a Commonwealth Scholarship until 1966 when he went to Oxford and was awarded a Doctorate of Philosophy by the University in 1970. From 1970-1974 he was a Research Fellow in the School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences at the University of Sussex and then for next four years a Scientific Assistant at the Institute of Cancer Research with the status of Lecturer at London University.

Richard returned to Perth in 1978 as Deputy Head of the Department of Medical Physics at the Royal Perth Hospital and became Head of the Department in 1980. In this position he enabled the hospital to operate at the forefront of medical technology. On his retirement in 2002 he was appointed Emeritus Consultant Physicist.

He has throughout these years been closely associated with the Department of Physics at the University of Western Australia with the status of Associate Professor and since 1980 he has given lectures in the application of physics to medicine to first and second year medical students. He is also Adjunct Professor at Curtin University of Technology, and in 2000 became the Vice Chairman of the Australasian College of Physical Scientists and Engineers in Medicine and Chairman for the years 2001-2003.

During his career he has produced over 80 scientific papers in peer reviewed journals. These are wide ranging - the majority cover aspects of nuclear physics, nuclear magnetic resonance, and the use of isotopes in medicine. His expertise has been widely sought particularly in the application of physics to medicine. One important aspect has been the protection against unwanted effects of radiation, and also the safety of the many electrical devices now used in a modern hospital.

Richard has a gentle manner with a whimsical smile, none of which hides a highly effective person. He married Sue nee Chambers in 1970 and they have a son and a daughter. He has always been an enthusiastic swimmer and been involved in the Aussie Master's movement. Rottnest Island has held a fascination for him and he is a life member of the Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association.



Pek Goh



MB.BS. (Singapore) 1968
FRACS 1974

Consultant Surgeon (E.N.T.)

Pek Cher was born in Singapore in July 1944, his father Teng Koon Goh, an accountant and his mother Geok Kee Chua. He graduated in medicine from the University of Singapore in 1968 and was a Resident Medical Officer at the Outram Street General Hospital, Singapore from 1968-1969. The following year was spent in National Service with the Singapore Armed Forces.

Subsequently he moved to Australia and from 1969 to 1971 was a Registrar at the Royal Eye and Ear Hospital Melbourne. From 1973 to 1974 he was a Registrar at the Prince Henry and Royal Melbourne Hospitals and at this time he gained his Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. He came to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1974 and was appointed Consultant ENT Surgeon. He was also on the staff of the Princess Margaret Hospital 1975-76 and the Fremantle Hospital 1976-1979. He also provided services to St John of God Hospital, Subiaco, the South Perth Community Hospital and the Mount Hospital.

From 1993 to 1998 Pek was Chairman and Head of Department of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery and during this time he was a member of the Executive of the Division of Surgical Specialties and the Hospital Theatre Committee. This was a difficult period when extensive changes were occurring in the hospital.

Pek married Denice Christine Young in 1974 and they have four children: two sons and two daughters. One daughter Dr Christine Goh is at present a resident medical officer at the Royal Perth Hospital while another daughter is an Audiologist.

Outside of medicine Pek is a keen golfer and a member of the Nedlands Golf Club.

He retired from the staff of the Royal Perth Hospital in 2003 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Surgeon.



Donald Golinger



**Universities Western Australia and Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1955
FRCS Edin 1963, FRCS Eng 1963
FRACS (by election) 1978**

Consultant Surgeon

Donald Golinger was born in Perth in 1930, the son of Nathan Golinger, a tailor and Rosa nee Hertz. He received his undergraduate training first at the University of Western Australia and then at the University of Adelaide graduating MB BS in 1955.

He joined the staff of the Royal Perth Hospital as a Resident Medical Officer 1956-57 and Registrar 1958-59. He then went to England and was appointed registrar to Sir Eric Riches at St Andrews Hospital, London 1964-65 followed by an appointment as Registrar at the Whittington Hospital 1964-65. While at St Andrews Hospital he obtained, his Fellowship of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons England and Edinburgh. In 1965 Donald Golinger returned to the Royal Perth Hospital and in 1968 was appointed to the Clinical Staff as a Surgeon.

His special interest has been renal transplantation, he was involved in the preliminary research and participated as a surgeon in the first renal transplant performed in Western Australia in 1967. His published works include "The management of urinary fistulae following cadaver renal transplantation" and "Renal transplantation - 12 years experience". He was made Clinical Associate Professor at U.W.A and Newham Medical Educator to General Practitioners and was a member of the Postgraduate Medical Education Committee U.W.A 1992.

Don was Chairman and Head of Department of General Surgery 1985-87 and 1991-94. Chairman of the Division of Surgery 1987-90. Member of the Medical Advisory Committee 1987-90. Chairman of the Renal Transplantation Group 1979. Foundation Chairman of the inter hospital renal transplantation service 1980 and foundation chairman of the multi-disciplinary breast service 1991.

In 1959 Don married Wendy Faye Finkelstein and they have three children one son and two daughters. One daughter is a Psychologist.

Outside of medicine Don has made his mark in a number of fields. He was first violinist in the State Youth Orchestra, gained a half blue at soccer at Adelaide University, is Honorary Medical Officer and Life Member of the East Perth Football Club and also takes a keen interest in golf and offshore fishing.

Donald Golinger retired in 1995 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Surgeon.



Harry Hansen-Knarhoi



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1956
FRCS (Eng) 1965
FRACS 1969

Consultant Plastic Surgeon

Harry Hansen was born in Perth in 1932, the son of Harry, a wool classer and Rebecca nee Henderson.

He commenced his medical course in Perth and then transferred to Adelaide to complete his medical degree.

His first postgraduate resident year was at the Royal Adelaide Hospital after which he held a resident appointment at Royal Perth Hospital. Two years of General Practice in the small town of Williams was followed by a registrar appointment at the Royal Perth Hospital. Having decided to specialise in surgery he went to England where he worked as a registrar in a number of hospitals including the Royal Masonic Hospital while studying for the English surgical fellowship. He returned to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1966 as Senior Surgical Registrar in General Surgery but following a secondment to the Plastic unit of Harold McComb he decided to specialize in Plastic Surgery. He was appointed to the Royal Perth Hospital, Fremantle Hospital and Princess Margaret Hospital as a Plastic Surgeon in 1967.

He remained on the Fremantle Hospital staff until 1979 and on the Princess Margaret Hospital staff until 1974. To the Royal Perth Hospital he gave 30 years service. He was active in the teaching of both medical students and nurses.

Harry had a special interest in the surgery of the hand and wrote about the problem of injuries to hands inflicted by high pressure oil infusions.

He was active in the affairs of the Australian Society of Plastic Surgeons over many years and was its Secretary from 1980-84 and President 1989-1991. He was also active in the Australian Hand Club.

Harry married Dorothea Brooks in 1958 and they have four children three sons and a daughter. Two entered medicine: Mathew following in his father's footsteps is a Plastic Surgeon and Belinda is a General Practitioner.

His interests outside of medicine range from music and theatre to outside activities which include scuba diving, tennis, cricket and football, (both Rugby and Australian Rules). Harry Hansen-Knarhoi retired in 1997 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Plastic Surgeon.



Arthur R. Harris



University of Western Australia

MB BS (UWA) 1969

Dip Obst RCOG 1970

FRACP 1978

MD (UWA) 1980

Consultant Physician

Arthur Harris was born in Dalwallinu Western Australia on 28th May 1936, the son of Ralph Harris, a farmer and Alma nee Rayner. He attended Dalwallinu and Wubin State Schools and then went to Scotch College from 1949 to 1954. After taking the University matriculation he spent eight years wheat and sheep farming and banana growing on the family property.

Arthur then entered the School of Medicine at the University of Western Australia in 1963 and qualified MB BS in 1969.

He was a junior resident medical officer at the Royal Perth and Sir Charles Gairdner Hospitals in 1969 and was then appointed senior resident at the Princess Margaret Hospital for Children in 1970 followed by a similar appointment at the King Edward Memorial Hospital in 1971. He then returned to the Royal Perth and Sir Charles Gardiner Hospitals until 1976. Arthur then went to the United States for two years as a Clinical Research Fellow in Endocrinology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Returning to Perth in 1978 Arthur was made a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Physicians and was appointed Consultant Physician at the Royal Perth Hospital.

Arthur has made endocrinology a major interest, particularly thyroid disease. He was engaged in basic thyroid research and this work was accepted for the award of MD from the University of WA in 1980. He has published numerous papers in National and International Journals and has presented papers at many International Meetings.

He has served on a number of committees and was Chairman of the RPH Drug Committee for ten years, Secretary of the RPH Clinical Association, Chairman Department of Internal Medicine and Member of the RACP Drug Committee.

Arthur Harris married Mary Hollingsworth a physiotherapist in 1974 and they have three children two sons and daughter. Outside of medicine he is interested in tennis, football, athletics, woodworking and farming. A keen environmentalist he is a member of the Liberal Party Conservation and Environmental Policy and Liberals for Forests groups of which he was at one time Vice President.

Arthur Harris retired in July 2005 after an association with the Royal Perth Hospital of 36 years and was made Emeritus Consultant Physician.



John Hill



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1958
FRCS(Eng) 1965
FRACS 1966
FAOrth A

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

John Hill was born in Perth in 1936 the son of Henry Manners Hill, an Emeritus Orthopaedic Surgeon who also served the Royal Perth Hospital.

After attending Guilford Grammar School he commenced and finished his medical degree at the University of Western Australia with the middle four years at Adelaide University during the beginning years of the establishment of the medical school at the University of Western Australia.

He held resident and registrar appointments at the Royal Perth Hospital and then moved to the United Kingdom to train in orthopaedic surgery.

His speciality training in the UK included St Mary's, Royal Orthopaedic Hospital and the Mount Vernon Hospital before he returned to Perth in 1966.

John was appointed consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon to the Royal Perth Hospital, Fremantle Hospital and Princess Margaret Hospital for Children in 1967 and served continuously until his retirement.

John was Chairman of the department of Orthopaedic Surgery at RPH for four years from 1983 and served on the Australian Orthopaedic Association locally and nationally from 1970 until 1991. He was Chairman of the Orthopaedic Training Committee Board of Studies (WA) from 1987 to 1991.

John married Patricia Thomas in 1965 and they have three sons. Outside of medicine he has a wide range of interests including photography, golf, sailing and fishing.

John Hill retired in January 2001 after an association with the Royal Perth Hospital of 31 years and was appointed Emeritus Consultant, Orthopaedic Surgery.



John Kagi



University of Western Australia
MB BS (UWA) 1963
FRACS (ORTH) 1975
FA Orth A. 1979

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

John (Jack) Kagi was born in Subiaco, Western Australia on April 15th 1938, the son of Raymond Kagi, a teacher, and Mary nee O'Brien. After attending school in Calingiri (near Moora) and later Aquinas College (1951-55), he graduated in Medicine from the University of Western Australia in 1963. He then undertook resident appointments at the Royal Perth and Princess Margaret Hospitals, followed by a period of general practice in Geraldton (1968-69), and for a short period served as acting Assistant Medical Superintendent at the Royal Perth Hospital (1975). His Fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons (Orthopaedics) was obtained in the same year. Subsequently he was appointed Assistant Orthopaedic Surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1976 and Orthopaedic Surgeon in 1978. John Kagi has been a Fellow of the Australian Orthopaedic Association since 1979.

During his thirty years of service at the hospital, Jack Kagi, in addition to the usual commitments, undertook undergraduate and graduate teaching which he regarded quite correctly as one of the highlights of his career. He was involved in the introduction to the local practice of orthopaedics cast bracing, the Ilizarow technique for the management of malunions and length discrepancies of the leg, microsurgery and the treatment of brachial plexus injuries.

He has presented papers at Orthopaedic Association meetings dealing with injuries to peripheral nerves and the brachial plexus.

Since 1997 he has been convenor of the Annual Bedbrook Memorial Oration. He served his department as its Deputy Chairman and Head (1987-93), and represented the department on various committees such as the North Block Theatre Planning Committee, the Division of Surgery, the Computer Planning Committee and the JRAC Planning Committee. He was also involved in the work of the Orthopaedic Association as local secretary, and served on the National Research and Education Committees.

Outside of medicine his interests include sailing, which included Chairmanship of the Royal Perth Flying Squadron Heritage Committee, diving and cycling. His hobbies also included metalwork, machining and blacksmithing, with a special interest in repairing old tools and machinery. Jack Kagi married Wendy Anticich in 1961 and they have three children, two daughters and a son. Jack retired in April 2003 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon.



Henry T. Kelsall



University of London
MS (Lond) 1885
MRCS 1886. LRCP 1887
MD (Hons) (Lond) 1888

Honorary Ophthalmic Surgeon

Henry Kelsall was born in Nani Tal, India on June 4th 1865, the son of Surgeon-Major Henry Kelsall and Annie nee Milne. He was educated in England at the United Services College, Westward Ho and studied medicine at the London Hospital graduating MS in 1885 and MD with Honours in 1888. He did his residency at Moorfields Hospital and then joined the Royal Navy. He resigned from the Navy to take a position as medical officer with the North Sea Fishing Fleet.

Henry Kelsall came to Australia in 1900, took up general practice in Roebourne and was later appointed Resident Medical Officer there. He then moved to Perth where he developed a large private practice and concentrated mostly on eye work eventually devoting all of his time exclusively to it. He was appointed Honorary Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Perth Hospital in 1902. He had the reputation of being a man of tireless energy being a member of the Perth Hospital Board, a Foundation Member of the Western Australian Branch of the British Medical Association and one of its first Presidents. Henry Kelsall was a Member of the State Medical Board from its inception and was for many years its chairman.

In 1902 he married Blanche Edith Leake, daughter of Judge George Walpole Leake QC. They had four children two sons and two daughters. George studied medicine and followed his father in being appointed to the Honorary Consultant Staff at the Perth Hospital.

Henry had many interests outside of medicine. A keen sportsman he played A grade tennis, hockey and cricket and was at one time President of the Perth Rifle Club. He was a trustee of the Museum, Public Library and Art Gallery. Interestingly he was a contemporary and lifelong friend of Rudyard Kipling.

He retired to his farm near Moora but with failing health he returned to Perth and settled in Cottesloe.

Henry Kelsall died at the age of 67 in May 1932.



George Kubacz



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1958
FRCS 1965
FRCS (Edin) 1965

Consultant Surgeon

George Kubacz was born in Gdansk, Poland in 1934 the son of Waclaw Kubacz, a dental surgeon and Wanda nee Swiderski. The family came to Australia in 1949 and settled in Adelaide. George attended the Sacred Heart College there and subsequently commenced his medical education graduating MB,BS from the University of Adelaide in 1958.

He commenced his residency at Queen Elizabeth II hospital Woodville just after it opened as a general hospital and thus not very busy so he transferred to Fremantle Hospital. George then commenced General Practice in Kalgoorlie and worked as a flying doctor for the Royal Flying Doctor Service and was assisted and influenced by Dr Bill Roberts who was an experienced surgeon there, to pursue surgery. Consequently he went to Nuffield College in London to commence his surgical studies in 1962 having already become engaged to his future wife who was a nurse at the Kalgoorlie Hospital.

He was appointed to the University of Western Australia as Senior Lecturer of Surgery in 1967 and commenced private practice as a general and colo-rectal surgeon a few years later in 1971. He was a founding member of the Renal Transplant team from 1967 to 1971 and he was the co-founder and chairman of the colo-rectal surgical subspeciality group at the Royal Perth Hospital becoming Head of the Colo-Rectal group in 1997 until 2002 and Head of the Department of General Surgery from 1998 to 2002.

As well as making numerous contributions to peer reviewed journals he extended his influence to the Joondalup Health Campus from 1980 at it's inception until 2003 becoming Chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee from 1996 to 1999 after membership since 1980.

He married Shirley Petroboni in 1962 and they have two daughters, the eldest a complementary health practitioner.

George had numerous non-medical interests particularly photography but also chess and contract bridge but in addition he is a lover of Richard Wagner's music and for some time was President of the Wagnerian Society and returned to Adelaide in 1998 for the first ever Ring Cycle in Australia. George Kubacz retired in 2002 to pursue his other interests including his own well being.



Michael Lawrence-Brown



**University of New South Wales
MB BS (Honours) 1971
FRACS 1978**

Consultant Surgeon

Michael Lawrence-Brown was born in Nairobi, Kenya in 1944 the son of Stan Laurence-Brown, a Safari Guide and Professional Hunter and Cicely (nee Roberts). He attended the Prince of Wales High School in Nairobi and took the Cambridge Overseas Higher School Certificate in 1962. He went to the University of New South Wales to study medicine and qualified with Honours in 1971.

Michael was appointed Surgical Registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1974 and obtained Fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons in 1978. He was Senior Lecturer in Surgery at the Repatriation General Hospital 1982-1989 and from 1984 Consultant in Vascular Surgery, Royal Perth Hospital. He is a member of the International Society of Cardiovascular Surgery and a member of the International Society of Endovascular Therapists. Michael has been Chairman of the Royal College of Surgeons, WA Branch and a member of the sub-committee of the division of training in vascular surgery. For some time he was Head of the Department of Vascular Surgery and largely as a result of his work the RPH has become one of the most desired training hospitals in vascular surgery within Australia.

He has had an impressive number of "firsts" to his credit during his time at the Royal Perth Hospital. Introducing pressure garments for burns to the establishing of a surgical audit in general surgery, setting up the Quality Assurance Department, introduction of intra operative blood cell salvage with cell washers to Australia. He was also the chief investigator of the abdominal aortic aneurysm screening program funded by the NH&MRC in Western Australia. Michael is co-inventor of the Zenith endoluminal graft for arterial aneurysmal disease that is used worldwide.

He has written some 65 papers published in major professional journals and in addition he has made 69 presentations many to International meetings. His energy and drive have attracted substantial research funds over the years.

Michael married Michele Elizabeth Howard in 1968 and they have three sons. Outside of medicine Michael is interested in trekking and fishing and also plays veterans hockey. Michael Lawrence-Brown retired in January 2001 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant in Vascular Surgery.



Kenneth MacKenzie



**Cambridge University
MB BCh (Cantab) 1958
FRCS (Eng) 1966
FRACS 1987**

Consultant ENT Surgeon

Ken Mackenzie was born in Ipswich, England in 1934 the son of Kenneth Wallace Mackenzie an ENT Surgeon and Dorothy Mary (nee Reid).

Ken graduated in medicine at Cambridge University and was a resident medical officer at Guys Hospital, London 1959-1960. He then served in the Royal Navy as a Surgeon Lieutenant until 1963 after which he spent six years as a Registrar at the Royal National ENT Hospital in London. In 1966 he became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Ken then migrated to Western Australia and was appointed a consultant ENT surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital in July 1972 and continued to serve the hospital until his retirement in 1999.

His colleagues describe Ken as a person very easy to work alongside. He is a private but charming person with a keen sense of humour and good company. He married Ute Ritter in 1981 and they have five children.

His sporting interests include golf as a member of Lake Karrynup Golf Club and snow skiing, the remainder of his free time is used to pursue his passion for gardening and languages.

On his retirement in 1999 he was appointed Emeritus Consultant ENT Surgeon.



Hamish Macmillan



University of Melbourne
MB BS (Melb) 1928
FRCS (Edin) 1937

Honorary Dermatologist

Hamish Macmillan was born in Aberdeen, Scotland in 1904 the son of Thomson Macmillan a minister of the Presbyterian Church and Annie, nee Robertson.

The family came to Australia and settled in Melbourne. Hamish Macmillan attended Geelong College of which he was Dux. He then went to Melbourne University residing at Ormond College. He excelled in sport being captain of football, cricket and athletics. He was awarded a double blue (football and athletics). His ability as a leader was also shown by his interest in student activities whilst at Ormond and by his chairmanship of the student club.

He graduated in medicine from the University of Melbourne in 1928 and came to Western Australia, where he was a resident medical officer at the Royal Perth Hospital. Here he met his future wife Margorie Joyce Parsons and they were married in 1932.

Hamish Macmillan entered general practice in Victoria Park and then went to Edinburgh to do his surgical training, obtaining his Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons (Edin) in 1937. While in Edinburgh the first of his sons was born.

Unfortunately soon after his return to Perth he developed manifestations of tuberculosis which limited his aspirations in surgery and prevented him joining many of his colleagues in war service.

At the Royal Perth Hospital he held the appointment of Honorary Clinical Assistant Surgeon in Ear, Nose and Throat Surgery 1935-37. In 1939 he was appointed Relieving Assistant Surgeon in Outpatients. From 1941 he served the hospital as Honorary Dermatologist (Senior Dermatologist from 1947) until his retirement in 1965 after 33 years service. In recognition of his service the Hospital Board appointed him Consultant Dermatologist.

Hamish Macmillan served on a number of committees. He was a member of the RPH Electoral Committee from 1956 and its chairman from 1960. He was a foundation councillor of the Dermatological Association of Australia and later its President (1956-57). He was a member of the Perth Rotary Club and President of the Hale School Parents and Friends Association.

His interest in sport continued after his retirement and he was a top division bowler in the Dalkeith Club. Hamish Macmillan died on 4th December 1972.



John Masarei



University of Western Australia
MB BS (WA) 1961
MD (WA) 1968, FRCPA 1970
FAACB 1984

Consultant Clinical Biochemist

John Masarei was born in Perth, Western Australia in January 1937, the son of Louis Masarei, a chef and Kathleen nee Molyneaux. He was educated at Perth Modern School then commenced his medical degree at Queensland University completing the last two years at the University of WA. after it's inception graduating MB BS in 1961.

John was a resident medical officer at the Royal Perth Hospital for 18 months and the Princes Margaret Hospital for six months, after which on the advice of Professor Eric Saint, he did research in the Department of Physiology, UWA with the late Professor Simmonds first as a James and Sith Annie Chesters Scholar and then as an NHMRC Fellow. His MD thesis was on fat absorption in pancreatic deficiency, and the degree was conferred in 1968.

A period as a clinician, relieving at the Methodist Hospital, Ba, Fiji followed, and then training in Chemical Pathology at the RPH with Professor Curnow. He obtained his Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia in 1970 and returned to Fiji to teach physiology at the Fiji Medical School. John's next appointment was at the University of Auckland, New Zealand and the Auckland Hospital. He returned to WA in 1975 to take up the position of Associate Professor in Clinical Biochemistry at UWA and Head of the Department of Biochemistry at RPH. After 15 years at UWA and RPH he resigned and spent a number of years (1990-94) as Professor and Chair, Department of Chemical Pathology at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. While in Hong Kong he became a Founder Fellow of both the Hong Kong College of Pathologists and the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine. On returning to WA, he re-established his association with RPH and UWA, where he teaches in the Master of Laboratory Medicine programme, and works part-time in private community pathology practice.

Most of John's published work has been on aspects of lipids, particularly factors affecting their plasma levels and their associations with coronary heart disease. In 1963 John married Marylee Broadbent, they have four daughters: Anthea is a speech pathologist, Helen a registered nurse, Carolyn a Physician in palliative medicine and Fiona a Lawyer. Outside his professional life John's interests include his association with the Uniting Church in Australia, photography and social justice issues.

John Masarei retired in 1998 and was appointed an Emeritus Consultant.



Vincent McCann



Queens University Belfast
MB BS 1964, MD 1973
MRCP (UK) 1970, FRACP 1979
FRCP (London) 1991

Consultant in Endocrinology & Diabetes

Vincent McCann was born in Belfast, Northern Island in 1940 the son of Vincent McCann a doctor and Molly nee McManus.

He studied medicine at Queens University Belfast graduating in 1964 and did his early postgraduate training at the Mater Hospital, the Belfast City Hospital and the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. From 1970 to 1972 he did research on liver disease and was awarded an MD for this work.

In 1972 Vincent held a Clinical Fellowship in Gastroenterology at the University of Cincinnati, Ohio and this was followed by a period of General Medical Practice first in British Columbia and then in Fremantle.

Vincent McCann was appointed Consultant Physician in endocrinology and diabetes at the Royal Perth Hospital 1975. He was appointed Senior Lecturer in Medicine, University of WA in 1985 and Chairman and Head of Department, Endocrinology and Diabetes at the Royal Perth Hospital from 1987-90 and again from 1996-99. He was Consultant Physician in Diabetes at the Repatriation General Hospital Hollywood WA, from 1985-1994.

Vincent has been active in a number of research projects including the epidemiology of diabetes and its complications, pathogenesis and immunology of diabetes, The Royal Perth Hospital diabetic survey and diabetic education.

He has published extensively with over 50 papers and has made regular presentations at scientific meetings both in Australia and Internationally. He is a member of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes and a member of the Diabetes Australia.

In 1972 Vincent married Julie Breen and they have one daughter.

Dr McCann retired in April 2001 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Physician.



Robert McWilliam



**University of Western Australia
MB BS (WA) 1960
FRCS Edin 1966**

Consultant Rehabilitation Medicine

Robert McWilliam was born in Sydney NSW in 1937 the son of Claude Robert McWilliam a company Director and Edna May nee Lego. He studied medicine at the University of Western Australia graduating MB BS in 1960.

As a young graduate he began work at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1961 and then went to the United Kingdom to train in orthopaedic surgery and was made FRCS (Edin) in 1966. He returned to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1967 and was appointed Senior Surgical Registrar. 1968 saw him move to Kalgoorlie to take up surgical practice and he considers that although the practice was demanding it was one of the highlights of his career.

In 1975 Bob returned to the Royal Perth Hospital as Emergency Medical Officer and was appointed Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine in 1989. He has also held appointments at St Joseph's Hospital 1975-94, St John of God Hospital Murdoch 1994-2000 and was a Consultant to the Repatriation Artificial Limb and Appliance Centre, Hollywood 1989-97.

He has made a number of presentations at International Conferences dealing with prosthetic limb fitting in amputees.

In his younger days he was an active sportsman with College Colours in swimming, lifesaving, rowing, Australian Rules football and athletics. He was also a member of hockey and shooting teams. He was a member of the WA state swimming team in 1953 and a member of the WA state football team in 1962. His interests now are travel and classical music.

In 1967 Bob McWilliam married Hilary Clayton a medical graduate in general practice and they have four children three boys and a girl.

Robert McWilliam retired in December 2001 and was made Emeritus Consultant, Rehabilitation Medicine.



William Merrick



University of Liverpool
MB ChB (L Pool) 1959
D Phys Med (RCS Eng) 1965
MRCP (Eng) 1972
FACRM 1980 FAFRM

Consultant Rehabilitation Medicine

Peter Merrick was born in Manchester England in October 1935 the son of William Merrick a postman and Ada Evelyn nee Lye. He studied medicine at Liverpool University and qualified MB. ChB. In 1959.

Following registrar appointments he was made Director of Joint Services at the Rehabilitation Unit at Chessington Hospital Surrey. He served in the RAMC with the rank of Lt. Colonel and saw military service in Europe, South East Asia, Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Nepal and Ireland.

In January 1978 Peter and his family came to Perth and he was appointed to the Rehabilitation Unit at the Royal Perth Hospital.

Peter served on the Medical Advisory Committee and the Rehabilitation Division Committee. He has been associated with numerous bodies delivering rehabilitation services in this State. He has had a role in Medico Legal Practice in W.A. specifically related to Rehabilitation Medicine.

He was a founder member of the Australian College of Rehabilitation Medicine and was also a Member of the Board of Examiners AFRM/RACP and W.A. member of Council of the Australian College of Rehabilitation Medicine and was also its Chairman.

Peter married Elizabeth Joyce Weir a registered nurse in 1960 and they have three daughters two are nurses. Outside of medicine Peter is interested in growing orchids, equestrian husbandry and land management.

He retired in November 2002 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant, Rehabilitation Medicine.



Peter Packer



Universities of Capetown & Western Australia
MB ChB (Capetown) 1953
MB BS (Western Australia) 1961
M. Med Otol (Capetown) 1959
FRACS 1964

Consultant ENT Surgeon

Peter Packer was born in Capetown, South Africa in 1926 the son of Admiral Sir Herbert Packer Royal Navy and Joy nee Petersen. He was a trainee pilot in the Fleet Air Arm, this took him to the UK and USA from 1944 to 1946. He then studied medicine at Capetown University graduating MB ChB in 1953. He obtained his M Medical Otology (Capetown) in 1959.

Peter married in 1949 and he and his wife have four sons. In 1961 the family came to Western Australia where Peter obtained his MB BS at the University of Western Australia. He was appointed Consultant Otolgologist at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1962.

He performed the first successful stapedectomy in Perth and later in 1980 with colleagues carried out the first Cochlear implant in Western Australia. These were important advances in the field of otology in this State.

Peter is a member of the Toynbee Society, an active supporter of the Ear, Nose and Throat Foundation and a member of the Australian Society of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery.

Outside of medicine he is a very keen sailor and in 1975 he was a member of the team which won the Sydney to Hobart ocean race.

Peter retired in 1994 after 32-years service at the Royal Perth Hospital and was appointed Emeritus Consultant. In recognition of his work he was honoured with the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2003.



Anil Patel



University of Boroda, India
MB BS (Boroda) 1968
FRACR 1975

Consultant Radiologist

Anil Patel was born in 1943 in Mbale, Uganda the son of Indian parents. He received his early education in Uganda but then went to Baroda Medical School in the Indian province of Gujarat where he graduated in 1968. Early in life Anil contracted poliomyelitis which left him with a pronounced limp. His parents encouraged him to ignore this disability and during his undergraduate days he proved to be a remarkable sportsman playing cricket, hockey as a goalie, also tennis and badminton, all at the highest level. His love for these sports has been a feature of his life.

Anil came to Australia in 1970 and was appointed Paediatric Registrar at the Queen Victoria Hospital, Melbourne. In 1972 Anil applied for a training position in Radiology at the Royal Perth Hospital. His talents both in his chosen specialty and his gentle relationship with patients were soon recognized and in 1975 he passed the examinations for fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Radiologists. On the advice of the Head of Department he was given consultant status in 1976.

Anil pioneered the use of ultrasound in this state initially as a diagnostic tool, but later he again led the way in the use of ultrasound for therapeutic procedures. Examples of this were his use of ultrasound in targeting breast biopsies and it was his skill with ultrasound that placement of instruments for the percutaneous removal of kidney stones was made possible.

A number of papers presented to the College of Radiology give some idea of the many ways ultrasound was used: they include thyroid and eye ultrasound, hepatobiliary ultrasound and scrotal echography.

Backed by his extensive experience Anil has willingly taught many trainees the techniques of ultrasound.

Anil is married to Pallavi and they have two sons, one a lawyer and the other Anuj Anil Patel a West Australian graduate in Medicine has followed in his father's footsteps and training in radiology.

Anil retired in 2001, having served the hospital for over 29 years, and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Radiologist.



Robert Paton



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1950
FRCS (ENG) 1956
FRCS (Edin) 1956
FRACS 1958
Hon Doctorate of Surgery (UWA)

Consultant Surgeon

Robert Paton was born in Cottesloe in February 1926, the son of James and Lillian Paton. Educated at Scotch College he was a keen sportsman excelling at cricket and swimming and at one stage was captain of the school's swimming team. He went to Adelaide University to study medicine as there was no medical faculty at the University of Western Australia at that time.

While in Adelaide he met Nancy Black who was also studying medicine and they married in 1951. After qualifying they returned to Perth where their first daughter was born. Bob did his residency at the Royal Perth Hospital and then the family moved to England where he took up an appointment at St Mary's Hospital and started his surgical training.

Bob Paton and his family returned to Perth in 1957 and in 1962 he was appointed honorary general surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital. By this time his family comprised four daughters, the last two being twins.

In 1965 he started to specialize as a vascular surgeon and established the vascular surgery unit at the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. Until that time vascular surgery had not yet developed into a speciality in its own right but once this occurred Perth quickly gained a reputation as a leader in the field. He trained many surgeons in this speciality and today vascular surgery is well recognised in its own right.

He was a member and chairman of many committees and was a member of the Board of the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital for ten years from 1973-1983.

Bob and Nancy divorced and in 1993 Bob married Athena Reynolds.

In 2003 he was made an Honorary Doctor of Surgery by the University of Western Australia and in 2003 he was honoured with the award of the Order of Australia Medal.

Robert Paton died in December 2004.



Charles Price



University of Western Australia & Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1932
FRCS (Edin) 1936 FRACS 1958

Consultant Surgeon

Charles Price was born in September 1909 the son of John Price a bank manager and Janet (nee) Russell.

He started his medical education at the University of Western Australia and then moved to the University of Adelaide graduating MB BS in 1932. In those days Western Australia did not have a Medical School and it was usual to complete the first year in Perth and then move to a University in the Eastern States.

After graduation he spent time in the UK training in general surgery and obtained his FRCS (Edin) in 1936. He joined the RAAMC in 1941 and achieved the rank of Lt Colonel. He served mostly in the Middle East and was demobilized in 1945.

On returning to Western Australia he was appointed Honorary Surgeon at the Fremantle Hospital in 1946 and Honorary Surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1947.

Charles Price married Betty (nee) Scott in 1941 and they have a son and a daughter. Their son Michael studied medicine and is now in practice as a gynaecologist and obstetrician in Perth.

Outside of medicine he was interested in golf, fishing and philately. He also had a Daimler car collection.

Charles Price retired in 1968 and in recognition of his service to the Royal Perth Hospital the Board of Management appointed him Emeritus Consultant Surgeon.



Harry Reef



**University of Witwatersrand
MB BS (Wits) 1943
FRCP. FRCP (Edin)**

Honorary Consultant Neurologist

Harry Reef was born in Wepener, South Africa in July 1921 the son of Lithuanian migrants. His early education was at Grey College, Bloemfontein where he was enrolled as a boarder. He then went to Witwatersrand University to study medicine graduating MB BS in 1942.

Harry spent some time in general practice before going to England in 1951 with his wife Dorothy and young daughter to study neurology. He returned to South Africa in 1957 because of his father's failing sight and to take an appointment at Baragwanath Hospital in Johannesburg where he set up a department of neurology. In 1969 he was invited to become the chief neurologist at Witwatersrand Medical School with the appointment as Professor of Neurology. In 1986 Professor Reef and his family moved to Perth. His elder daughter and her family were already living here. In Perth he joined the Royal Perth Hospital and the Medical School as an Honorary Consultant Neurologist.

He was a very able teacher and in South Africa was awarded the Phillip Tobias Medal for Distinguished Teaching. He was also awarded the Mandela Medal and honoured by such organizations as the Epileptic Society, the Neuro-Psychological Society and the Multiple Sclerosis Association.

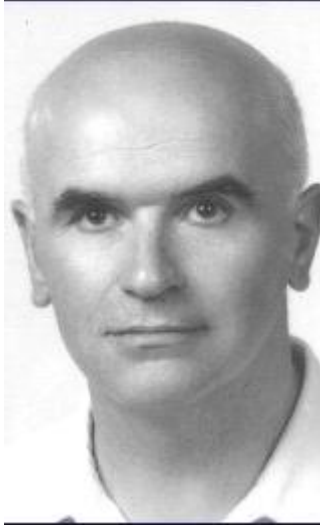
In South Africa he had the distinction of being the only doctor dismissed by the Transvaal Boxing Association for repeatedly classifying boxers as unfit.

Outside of medicine Harry Reef was interested in philately, classical music, Bridge and was a member of a number of wine clubs.

Harry Reef retired early in 2003 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Neurologist. He died in December 2004.



Bruno Ricci



**University of Edinburgh
MB ChB (Edin) 1959
FRARCS 1970, FRCA 1992
FFARACS 1978 FANZCA 1992**

Consultant Anaesthetist

Bruno Ricci was born in Bargoed in Wales on January 1st 1935, the son of Luigi Ricci, a French Italian, and his wife, Clotilde Bertorelli from New York. He received his early education at Bargoed Grammar School, then studied medicine at Edinburgh University qualifying MB ChB in 1959. After two years National Service (RAMC) he worked at East Glamorgan Hospital as an obstetric resident medical officer. He then moved into general practice in Nottingham (1963-1966).

Bruno started his training as an anaesthetist in Birmingham in 1966, gaining his anaesthesia fellowship in 1970. He then worked in Wolverhampton until 1974 as an anaesthetic consultant with most of his practice being obstetric anaesthesia.

In 1974 he and his wife Lorna emigrated to Launceston, Tasmania, where he worked as a consultant anaesthetist. In 1977 he and Lorna moved to Western Australia. He was appointed as a full time anaesthetist at the Royal Perth Hospital responsible for anaesthesia at the Perth Dental Hospital, which included teaching and examining dental students in anaesthesia.

He established a course for oral surgical registrars and senior dentists at the Perth Dental Hospital covering management, resuscitation and safe sedation techniques.

Bruno's beloved wife died in 1986. He later married Victoria Bruno was extremely skilful in dealing with inhalational anaesthesia for infants and children.

A keen pistol shooter. He enjoys golf, gardening, reading and good food. Bruno Ricci retired in June 2000 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Anaesthetist.



Ross Robinson



Universities of Sydney, Melbourne & Western Australia

BSc (Syd) 1934, MB BS (first class honours) (Syd) 1938.

MD (Syd)1942. MS (Melbourne) 1944. FRACS 1945. MBA (UWA) 1979.

Consultant Neurosurgeon

Arthur Ross Robinson was born in Sydney in January 1915 the son of Arthur Robinson an accountant and Ethel (nee) Burls.

He was dux of Sydney High School and began studying medicine at the University of Sydney at the age of 16 after first completing a BSc for which he was awarded the University medal for Physics in 1934. Ross graduated MB BS in 1938 with first class Honours. He obtained his MD from Sydney University in 1942.

He was appointed resident medical officer at Newcastle General Hospital followed by a period at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. He then served in the RAAF as a medical officer from 1941 to 1946 reaching the rank of Squadron Leader. While stationed at Heidelberg in the RAAF he studied for and was admitted as a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons in 1944. From 1946-49 he was Principal Medical Officer RAAF Western Australia on a part time basis.

Ross Robinson was appointed Clinical Assistant in Neurosurgery at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1946 and Honorary Assistant Surgeon in 1949. In 1959 he was appointed Senior Neurosurgeon. He also held appointments at Fremantle Hospital, King Edward Memorial Hospital and the Princess Margaret Hospital.

Ross married Phyllis Truslove in 1942, they met in Perth when he was stationed here with the RAAF they were introduced in mid July 1942 and married at St Michael's Church in Sydney in September 1942. They have four children two sons and two daughters.

Outside of medicine he was interested in golf, tennis and sailing. From 1957 he was increasingly involved with and interested in, primary production activities initially at Ongerup and from 1969 at Gidgegannup. He served a term on the Swan Guildford Shire Council. Ross was an astute share market investor and this led him to take an MBA.

Ross Robinson retired in October 1979. and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Neurosurgeon, he died in June 2002.



Archibald J. Simpson



University Edinburgh
MB BS (Edin) 1942
FRCS (Edin) 1945
FRACS 1957

Senior Thoracic Surgeon

Archie Simpson was born in Scotland on June 23rd 1918, an only son to his father who was a paediatric physician. He was educated at the famous Edinburgh school Loreto. While in his teens he endured radical surgery for a duodenal ulcer and surgical treatment for pulmonary tuberculosis, well before revolutionary drugs for tuberculosis were discovered. He entered the University of Edinburgh Medical School graduating MB BS in 1942.

After working as a senior Thoracic Registrar with George Mason at Shotley Bridge Hospital in Durham from 1948 to 1951 he came to Perth as Assistant Thoracic Surgeon in the Department of Health and later as Assistant Thoracic Surgeon at Royal Perth Hospital and a partner in private practice with Mr Fred Clark. He was appointed Senior Thoracic Surgeon in 1958 after Fred Clark's retirement and continued in this role for a further 15 years. "This was a time of ferment in thoracic surgery, mitral valvotomy in the 1950's then inflow occlusion, then profound hypothermia, then coronary perfusion and back to local cooling and coronary artery surgery".

To quote again Thomas Cullity who wrote his obituary in the Medical Journal of Australia "Archie was shrewd and unflinching in assessing quality in other people's work and pursuing it himself. He was never rough with second rate things or people, and never hoodwinked by them. There was a Caledonian instinct to distinguish cant wherever it was hidden and enough urbanity and detachment to enjoy the extremities of human comedy when they could not be cured. ---"

He was Clinical Sub-Dean in the Medical School from 1969 to 1972 and Head of the Emergency Centre at the Royal Perth Hospital until 1976. He served on a number of Royal Perth Hospital Committees where he was always fair and canny. He was a Fellow and President of the Royal Medical Society Edinburgh.

"The admirable achievement of a world-class Thoracic Surgery Unit in Perth the most isolated capital city in the world is his monument and he was secretly proud of it". This was recognised by his being awarded the CMG. He retired from his position at the Royal Perth Hospital for health reasons and the Board of Management appointed him Emeritus Consultant Thoracic Surgeon in recognition of his contribution to the Hospital. His family life was close and of the greatest importance to him and although his last illness was prolonged and cruel he bore it with equanimity. He died in the village of Alldale in Cumberland, England, his wife's birthplace, on March 3rd 1978 leaving his wife June and two sons Colin and Ian.



Paul W. Skerritt



University of Adelaide
MB BS (Adelaide) 1966
MRCP.1972. MRANZCP 1975
FRANZCP 1985. MRCP 1998
FRCP 1999

Consultant Psychiatrist

Paul Skerritt was born in Concord NSW Australia in December 1942, the son of Rex Skerritt a manager and Kathleen nee Gallivan.

After graduating in medicine at the University of Adelaide in 1966 he was resident medical officer at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Woodville, South Australia. He then went as a rotating intern at The Memorial Hospital Worcester, Mass USA 1967-68. This was followed by Senior House Officer and Registrar appointments in Psychiatry at United Birmingham Hospitals, England. Following other appointments in the UK Paul returned to Australia and was appointed Senior Registrar in Psychiatry at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1973. He was appointed Associate in Psychiatry in 1974 and Consultant Psychiatrist in 1975.

Paul Skerritt has served the Hospital and the community in many ways. In 1985 he was appointed Chairman and Head, Department of Psychiatry, RPH. He has been Director of Joondalup Mental Health Services, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, University of Western Australia, Member Catholic Doctors' Association WA, Member, Section on Forensic Psychiatry, RANZCP, Member of the Psychiatry of Old Age, RANZCP, and other important groups and advisory bodies.

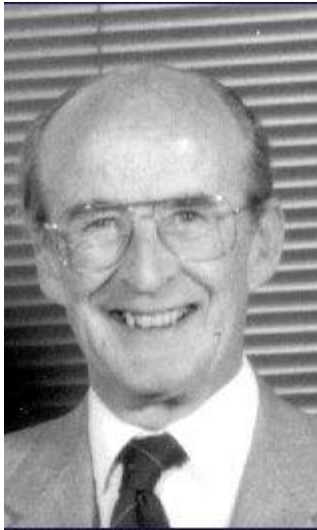
In 1999 he was given the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists WA Branch, Meritorious Service Award.

He has published a number of papers and has presented papers at both National and International Meetings. Paul has also served on the Editorial Boards of:- Paraplegia - The International Journal of the Spinal Cord, The Australian and New Zealand Journal of Psychiatry, The Australian Journal of Hospital Medicine and the Australian Journal of General Practice.

In 1967 Paul married Margaret Doherty (also a medical practitioner) and they have five children, four sons and one daughter. Paul Skerritt retired in 1997 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant.



Brian Smith



University of Melbourne
MB BS (Melb) 1958
FRARACS 1971
FANZCA 1992

Consultant Anaesthetist

Brian Smith was born in Bentleigh, Victoria on 26th July 1927, the son of Francis L.A. Smith a driver for the Herald Sun and Janet Elizabeth (nee) Funny. His early education was at Ormond State School, Hampton High School and Taylor's Coaching. He attended Melbourne Technical College, gaining certificates in Industrial Chemistry, Book keeping and Dyeing. Brian achieved this over a seven year period working at night and working during the day in the dye house control laboratory of Davies Coop and Company.

In 1951 he started an arts course in the University of Melbourne, however after two years he changed to medicine and was awarded a Commonwealth scholarship. Brian married Joan in his fifth year of training. He won the Melbourne University Physiology Prize in 1955 and qualified MB BS in 1958. This was followed by residencies at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne.

In 1960, he moved into general practice at Collie in Western Australia. In 1967 he started anaesthesia training as a registrar at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. After a year he returned to part time general practice in Perth, whilst studying for the primary examination. After passing the primary he was anaesthesia registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital gaining his Fellowship of the Faculty of Anaesthetists Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 1971. He was then a senior registrar at the Royal Perth Hospital and then in 1973 was appointed as a visiting Anaesthesia consultant. He was also a specialist anaesthetist at St John of God, Subiaco, St Anne's Osborne Park, Bethesda and Stirling Hospitals. He retired in 1992.

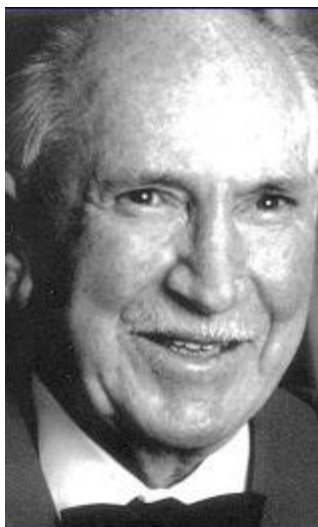
During his career in Perth he sat on the Western Australian Electrical Safety Committee and was secretary to the Western Australian Regional Committee of the Faculty of Anaesthetists Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. He was a member of the Stirling Hospital medical Advisory Committee. For any years he was a member of the Board of Uniting Aid, a community service organization in Nollamara.

His special interests were monitoring in anaesthesia. He was recognized by his colleagues for his skill in anaesthesia and management of para and quadriplegic patients. He contributed to the book "The Lifetime Care of the Paraplegic Patient" edited by G.M. Bedbrook.

Brian and Joan have three children.



Hector Stewart



University of Melbourne
MB BS (Melb) 1926
MD (Melb) 1929
FRCS 1930 FRACS 1933

Consultant Surgeon

Hector Stewart was born in Victoria in November 1901 the son of Hector Joseph Stewart, a mining engineer and Maggie Russell nee Robertson. The family moved to Wagin in Western Australia when Hector was eight years old. He had a brilliant scholastic career entering Perth Modern School in 1914 having topped the secondary schools scholarship examination. He was subsequently the dux of the school. After starting an engineering course at the University of W.A. he decided to change to medicine and went to Melbourne where he graduated in 1926. For the next three years he worked at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, following this he went to London to study for the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons which he obtained in 1930.

Hector returned to Perth where he was appointed Medical Superintendent of the Royal Perth Hospital a position he held until 1934 when he entered private practice and was made an honorary surgeon to the hospital. Hector served the hospital in that capacity until he retired in 1961 when he was appointed Emeritus Consultant Surgeon. He was also surgeon to the Fremantle and Repatriation Hospitals.

He was recognized by his colleagues as a strong quiet character who gave a great deal not only to his patients but also to those who worked with him.

During the Second World War he held the rank of Lieut Colonel in the RAAMC. Hector was a general surgeon throughout his career at a time when specialization was beginning to emerge first in Neurosurgery and Thoracic surgery. Hector made a major contribution to the administration of the Royal Perth Hospital being a member of the Hospital Board 1951-1962 and its Deputy Chairman 1954 -1962. As such he was closely involved with the University of Western Australia in the creation of the Medical School in 1957. He was a member of the Senate of the University 1963 - 1975 and was Pro-Chancellor 1971 -1974.

Outside of medicine he was interested in sailing, golf and bowls. Hector married Viotti Winifred Wheatley in 1935 and they had three sons and a daughter. One son Ian Hector is an orthopaedic surgeon.

For his great service to the Hospitals, the University and to the practice of surgery Hector was knighted in 1976. He died in November 1979.



Ted Stewart-Wynne



**University of Cape Town
MB ChB (Cape Town) 1965
FCP (SA) 1971
FRACP 1981**

Consultant Neurologist

Ted Stewart-Wynne was born in Swakopmund in Namibia in 1941 the son of Edward Stewart-Wynne, a bank manager. He attended Cape Town University where he switched from engineering after one year to study medicine and graduated MB ChB in 1965. He obtained the Fellowship of the South African College of Physicians in 1971 and in 1981 was awarded the FRACP.

His training as a neurologist included a registrarship with Professor John Walton (now Lord Walton) at Newcastle-upon-Tyne whom he admired particularly for his organizational skill. Indeed in many ways he modelled himself on Professor Walton's ability to get things done. Ted is a quietly spoken but determined man and this earned him the respect of the administration of the Royal Perth Hospital and his colleagues.

He came to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1977 and spent a year working as a registrar in the Department of Neurology where immediately his organizational skills were appreciated. He was appointed Consultant Neurologist at the Royal Perth Hospital in January 1978. He remained a consultant for the next twenty two years and retired on 26th May 2000 at the height of his powers in neurology because it had always been his intention to leave enough time to pursue other important goals in his life. He was a member of the Australian Association of Neurologists and the Stroke Society of Australia. Ted had a long-standing interest in the study of strokes and with his colleagues completed the Perth Community Stroke Study in 1989. He has been President of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and the Brain Foundation of W.A.

His interpersonal skills made it possible for him to serve not only for a period of six years as Head of the Department of Neurology, but also on general hospital committees including the Division of Medicine, of which he eventually became the Head and which allowed him longstanding membership on the Board of Management and the committee on Change Management at a time when major changes in the organisational structure within the hospital were taking place. This was a difficult time for the hospital but Ted's skill at handling people helped the process to proceed.

Ted made a large number of clinical presentations and wrote numerous scientific papers and book chapters. He married Stella (nee Smyth) in 1969 and they have four children two boys and two girls. Outside of medicine Ted is interested in woodturning, cooking, trees and bird watching.



Bryant A. Stokes



**University of Western Australia
MB BS (WA.)1959
FRACS 1965. FRCS (Eng.) 1998**

Consultant Neurosurgeon

Bryant was born in Perth in 1937 the son of Sydney John Stokes who worked in The Department of the Surveyor General and Exploration. His school education was at Wesley College. He then studied medicine at the University of Western Australia and was one of the early graduates of the then young West Australian Medical School. He graduated 1959 with distinctions in medicine and surgery. After graduation he became a resident medical officer at Royal Perth Hospital and then in 1961 joined the Department of Anatomy at the University of Western Australia initially as a demonstrator and in 1962 as a Lecturer.

In 1963 he returned to work at the Royal Perth Hospital as a casualty registrar, then in 1964 was a Registrar in the Department of Surgery of the University of WA and the Department of Neurosurgery at RPH. During this time he decided to make his career in Neurosurgery and from 1965 to 1967 was a Senior Registrar in Neurosurgery at Royal Perth Hospital and Princess Margaret Hospital. He was also at this time a Lecturer in Surgery. From 1967-1969 he was an Associate in Neurosurgery at Royal Perth and Princess Margaret Hospitals. After that he went overseas as Chief Resident in Neurosurgery in the Department of Neurosurgery in the University of Toronto, Canada.

Bryant returned to Perth in 1970 and was appointed a Consultant in Neurosurgery at Royal Perth Hospital a position he held until his retirement in 1999. Between 1975 and 1993 he held the Chair of the Interhospitals Neurological Service.

He was very active in the 70s and 80s being at different times: Clinical Sub Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Chairman of the Division of Surgery, Chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee and Member of the Board of Management at Royal Perth Hospital. In 1994 he branched out further into administration holding the position of Director of Medical Services at St John of God Hospital Subiaco from 1994 -1996.

From 1995-2001 he was the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health Western Australia and toward the end of this period was Acting Commissioner of Health. Currently he holds the following academic positions: Clinical Professor of Surgery and Professor of Clinical Anatomy and Human Biology, University of WA and Professor of Anatomy, Notre Dame University. He has published extensively in International Journals and has been invited to speak at many international meetings.



Marx Wald



University of Sydney
MB BS (Sydney) 1955
FRCS (Edin) 1958.
FRCS (Eng) 1959. FRACS 1960

Consultant Surgeon

Marx Wald was born in Sydney the son of Solomom Marx Wald a farmer and Bell nee Nissenbau. He received his undergraduate education in Sydney.

As a young graduate he came first to work at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1956 after short term appointments at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney and the Royal Hobart Hospital. Apart from the years 1957-1959 when he went to England to gain surgical experience he has been on the staff until his retirement in July 1998. In England he worked as a surgical registrar at the Chelmsford, Colchester and Fulham Hospitals. When there he obtained the Fellowships of both the Edinburgh and English colleges. He acknowledges a debt to Mr J.P. Ainslie, Mr A. Gild, Mr N. Robinson, Mr B. Nairn, Sir Hector Stewart as his teachers of Clinical and Operative surgery.

In the early days of the Medical School he was from 1962-1964 a Junior Assistant in Surgery in the University Department. Apart from his appointment as a surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital he held appointments from 1964 at the Mount Hospital, St John of God Hospital, Subiaco and at the Bentley Hospital from 1970.

Marx's genial manner led him to being made Chairman of a number of committees including the State committee of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (1974-1976), the chairman of the Department of General Surgery at the RPH from 1986-1991 and the Foundation Chairman of the section of Colo-rectal surgery from 1993-1995. As a general surgeon Marx also had an interest in Hepato biliary surgery as shown by his membership of the World Association of Hepato biliary Surgery in 1987 and the International Hepato Biliary Association in 1994.

In the world of medical politics Marx was the West Australian representative on the Australian Association of Surgeons from 1972-1976. Max married Diana Blythe in 1957 and they have four children. One daughter, Claudia is a Psychiatrist.

Outside of medicine his interests include golf, bridge, reading, music, gardening and travel. He would regard the highlight of his career as his part in the continuous development of the Royal Perth Hospital over a span of 40 years.



John Weeks



**University of Queensland
MB BS (Qld) 1967
FFARACS 1972
FANZCA 1992, FFICANZCA 1993**

Consultant Intensivist

John Weeks was born in Mackay, Queensland in 1943, the son of John W.N. Weeks, a stockman and Edna May (nee Harvey). He graduated in medicine from the University of Queensland in 1967. He gained his Australasian Fellowship in Anaesthesia in 1972 and worked as a Senior Registrar and Consultant in the Intensive Care Unit at Royal Perth Hospital from 1972 to 1978. In 1978 he was appointed Director of Anaesthesia at the Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane. Returning to Perth In 1982 he was appointed Consultant Intensivist at the Royal Perth Hospital, a post he held until January 2003 when he retired.

John was Chairman of the Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition Review Group at the Royal Perth Hospital. He was a member of the Trauma Mortality Review Group and the Blood Transfusion Sub-Committee.

He contributed a chapter on overdose and poisoning in the Intensive Care Manual, and a paper on Brain Death Clinical Examination in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care.

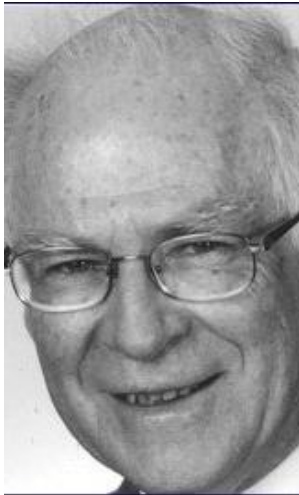
In 1968 he married Maria Alicia (nee Rodney) a psychiatrist and they have two daughters one of whom is a veterinary surgeon.

Highlights of his career include being an Examiner in the Final Fellowship Examination in Intensive Care from 1983 to 1992, helping to introduce echocardiography into Intensive Care and participation in establishing Intensive Care as a Specialty in its own right.

John retired in January 2003 and looks forward to spending time with his family and fishing.



John G. Wheeler



University of Western Australia
MB BS (UWA) 1962
FRCS (Edin) 1967
FRACS 1971

Consultant Plastic Surgeon

John Wheeler was born in Subiaco on 5th February 1939, the son of Thomas Wheeler, manager of an insurance company, and Thelma (nee) Sims, a nurse. At the start of his career John worked briefly as a laboratory assistant in the Department of Haematology at the Royal Perth Hospital. He then went to the University of Adelaide to study medicine, after completing his first year at the University of W.A. In due course he transferred to the University of Western Australia graduating MB BS in 1962.

Following a period as a Resident Medical Officer at the Royal Perth Hospital, John went to the United Kingdom in 1966 to study plastic surgery and worked at the Greenock Royal Infirmary in Scotland, the Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, the Bangour General Hospital and the Sick Children's Hospital in Edinburgh. He was admitted as a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh in 1967. He returned to Perth in 1970 and was appointed Senior Registrar in Plastic Surgery at the Royal Perth Hospital. John was admitted as a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 1971.

He was appointed Consultant in Plastic Surgery at the Royal Perth Hospital in 1971. He also held appointments as Visiting Plastic Surgeon at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Fremantle Hospital, Hollywood Repatriation Hospital and the Princess Margaret Hospital for Children.

John married Helen Koivisto in 1966, they met at the Royal Perth Hospital where Helen was a registered nurse on the Plastic Surgery Ward. They had four children one daughter and three sons. Helen died in 2000. John married Siew Ngo Lim in 2001. He has two stepchildren, one a Plastic Surgeon and the other a General Medical Practitioner.

John enjoyed his association with colleagues in Plastic Surgery at the Royal Perth Hospital during the development of the Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery Unit, the south-east extension and particularly the trainee registrars who have gone on to excellence in this field. Other highlights included seeing and participating in the development of an anatomical basis for flaps, breast reconstruction and hand surgery. John particularly enjoyed his trips to Papua New Guinea with Interplast and his trip to China in 2002 where he performed leprosy reconstructive work with his wife, Siew, as his interpreter.

John Wheeler retired in June 2002 and was appointed Emeritus Consultant Plastic Surgeon.



