

The Hong Kong College of General Practitioners
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ANNUAL REPORT 1988 - 1989

The College continued its immense activity during 1988-1989. It was also a year of change as we saw our College under the leadership of a new President, Dr. Natalis Yuen. We were also grateful to have the ever continuing support of our long serving Immediate Past-President, Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee. The College continues its progress in the development and maintenance of high standards in General Practice in Hong Kong. A resume of highlights will be presented in this report.

The White Paper: Report of the Hong Kong Government Working Party on Postgraduate Medical Education and Training

After two years of consultation and deliberation, the report was finally made public in January 1989. Primary care, be it be termed general practice or family medicine, received prominent attention in the report. Finally, what the College has campaigned for a number of years had been recognized. The Government finally acknowledges that good general practice is an important and most cost effective component in any health care system and Hong Kong is much in need of such a system. The disappointment of the report however was that despite continuous lobbying by our College, general practice failed to make the list of foundation colleges. The reason given was that there are no University professorial departments of general practice and there are insufficient postgraduate training posts. The College has made contributions to the development of academic general practice especially in the establishment of a Visiting Professor in General Practice in each University. Our Visiting Professor for the year 1988-1989 was Professor Walter Rosser from Canada who offered a lot of constructive ideas for the University of Hong Kong. Likewise, Professor Nigel Stott was our Visiting Professor for the year 1988-1989 of the Chinese University of Hong Kong. At the Chinese University, a chair in Family Medicine has recently been established and the Professor will be appointed in January 1990 at the Department of Community and Family Medicine (formerly Department of Community Medicine).

The College's Response: A Press Conference

The Hon. Secretary wrote on behalf of the College expressing our views on the White paper. Furthermore, to seek public awareness, a Press Conference was held on January 27, 1989 which received wide media coverage.

The Outcome: Working Party on Primary Health Care Combined Efforts with Department of Health

The former Medical and Health Department was reorganized with a Department of Health set up in April 1989. The new Director Dr. S. H. Lee expressed a genuine interest to improve the primary healthcare system in Hong Kong and the College looks forward to working closely with the Department of Health. A working party on primary healthcare was set up in July 1989 chaired by Professor Rosie Young. Our Council nominated Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee as our representative while Dr. Natalis Yuen was nominated in his capacity as Chairman of the School Medical Services. Furthermore, the College is in the process of working with the Department of Health to organize a program of Continuing Medical Education for Government doctors in outpatient clinics.

WONCA

The College continues its activity in the running and management of the affairs of the international body, WONCA. We are proud to see Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee becoming President-Elect of WONCA and to become installed as President of WONCA in 1992 at the 12th WONCA World Congress meeting from May 28 - June 2, 1989. The Hong Kong delegates also included Dr. Eddie Chan, a member of Nominating Committee of WONCA and Dr. Chan Nang Fong who chaired a symposium. *John*

The College also succeeded in its bid to host the WONCA World Congress in 1995. Besides hard work of the Bidding Committee, the College was also privileged to receive support letters from the Governor of Hong Kong, Secretary of Health and Welfare, Chairmen of the Urban and Regional Councils, Directors of Health and Hospital Services, the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Medical Association and the Hong Kong Tourist Association.

Formation of Beijing Society of General Practice

The Hong Kong College of General Practitioners has been assisting the Chinese Medical Association in Beijing to develop general practice since the inaugural visit by Council Members in 1986. On January 23, 1989, the Beijing Society of General Practice was inaugurated. Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee in his capacity as WONCA Chairman of Council attended as Guest of Honour. *and courtesy of members*

**A Tripartite Meeting: Beijing Society of General Practice
Chinese-Taipei Association of Family Medicine
Hong Kong College of General Practitioners**

College members witnessed history being made as a successful symposium "Health Delivery Systems in Asia" was held on April 1, 1989 organized by our College and attended by visitors from China and Taipei and our guest speaker Dr. S. H. Lee, Director of Health of Hong Kong. Ideas were exchanged in harmony.

**The Sun Yat Sen Oration: Annual Dinner and 2nd Conferment
Ceremony of RACGP/HKCGP Fellowship**

The College launched the "Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration" to commemorate the founder of Modern China, who was himself a general practitioner. The inaugural oration "The Human Face of Medicine" was given by Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee, immediate past and founding President of our College at the Annual Conferment Ceremony held at the Sheraton Hotel on March 5, 1989. Our Ceremony was attended by many prominent guests and dignitaries. The Royal Australian College was officially represented by Dr. Clarke Munro. Two successful candidates Dr. Ip Pang Fei and Dr. Wong Hung Wai received the FRACGP and FHKCGP Fellowships. Souvenir plaques were presented to two long serving members, Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee, our Immediate Past President and Dr. Henry F. K. Li, Past Chairman of the College Interim Council.

**The Third Conjoint Fellowship Examination with the Royal Australian College
of General Practitioners**

We have record number of candidates this year. (see individual report)

1988 Annual Refresher Course

This year the Board of Education opted to utilize local speakers in a series of successful and popular updates. (see individual report)

The 1988 Annual General Meeting and New Council Members

It was held on September 27, 1988 at the Hong Kong Medical Association. Dr. Natalis Yuen was elected President and Dr. Donald K. T. Li Hon. Secretary replacing Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee and Dr. Maxwell H. W. Tse respectively. Dr. Chan Kwok Wai also retired as Council Member as we saw entry of new Council Members Dr. Cindy Lam and Dr. Alfred Tang. Dr. Wong Pit See was coopted to become a Council Member in April 1989. Dr. Paul Lam, a long serving Council Member resigned in June 1989 and we pay tribute to his services.

The College Premises and our Secretariat

Under the leadership of our Administrative Secretary Ms. Alice Tong, members continued to enjoy the smooth operation of our Secretariat despite increasing activities in all the different Boards. We saw the addition of a new staff to cope with the increasing workload. Minor renovations and repairs were carried out with the outlay of desks and computers rearranged to become more efficient. The House Management Committee worked hard to update our library as well as clearing out unnecessary items.

Our capable business manager Dr. Freddie Lau besides getting his usual sponsorship for the College, managed to obtain a generous donation from Jebson, and we look forward to having a personal computer with a dataline capable of searching international abstracts and journals in the library which members can use.

Finance

Under the capable management of our Hon. Treasurer, the Finance Committee and Business Manager, members should be relieved to hear that our balance sheet remained in the black in spite of increased activities and expenses.

In conclusion, the year 1988/1989 was one of changes and achievements and we look forward to continued strength and support from members.

Detailed reports from individual Boards and Committees of the College are as follows:-

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chairman - Dr. Freddie Y. T. Lau

Credit Hour Scheme

Most of the activities of the Board of Education revolved around the yearly Credit Hour Scheme culminating in the award of Certificate of Postgraduate Studies which is designed to encourage our College members to undertake continuing medical education. Below are listed the major ways and means to get credit hours.

Self Assessment Correspondence Program

A set of multiple choice questions (MCQs) related to articles in the Journal is sent to each participant of the Credit Hour Scheme with each issue of the College Journal. Credit hours will be awarded for each completed set of MCQs returned to the College within the specified time.

Video-Cassette Viewing Sessions

The first series of video-cassette viewing sessions was held in 1988. A total of twelve sessions were held free of charge in 1988. The Board was compelled to defer the second series of the 1988 video-cassette viewing session since the ground floor lecture room of the School of General Nursing, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, was under renovation. However, during this period of time, the Board decided to accredit two credit hours to members for attending each viewing session organised by the Hong Kong Medical Association.

The first series of video-cassette viewing sessions in 1989 commenced on April 7, 1989 for twelve consecutive Fridays till June 23, 1989.

The Board would like to extend its sincere thanks to Roche Pharmaceuticals & Chemicals Limited for the supply of video-cassettes, and the Director of Medical and Health Services for the free use of the venue in Queen Elizabeth Hospital and its underground carpark for these sessions.

Date	Title of Video-Cassette
08.04.88	1. The Solitary Pulmonary Nodule: Benign or Malignant 2. Cryosurgery in Dermatology: A Useful Office Technique 3. Testicular Tumors: Clinical Features and a Changing Prognosis
15.04.88	Alcoholism: A Practical Guide to America's #1 Drug Problem
22.04.88	1. The Five-minute Neurological Examination 2. Ambulatory ECG Monitoring 3. Clinical Consequences of Stress: The Immune Connection
29.04.88	Case Reports on Diseases of the Colon
06.05.88	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome: The San Francisco General Hospital Approach
13.05.88	Advances in Transplantation: A Clinical Update
20.05.88	The Most Common Childhood Malignancy
27.05.88	1. The Management of Common Eye Problem 2. Diagnosing and Treating Tremors 3. PID: The Most Neglected Disease ✓
03.06.88	1. The Physician's Guide to Type I Diabetes Mellitus 2. Sudden Cardiac Death: Recognizing and Managing At-risk Patients
10.06.88	1. Schizophrenia: Issues in Management 2. Occupational Disorders of Musicians 3. GI Grand Rounds: The 70-year-old with COPD, Pneumonia, and Diarrhoea
17.06.88	1. CPR & ACLS Review: Preparation for Certification 2. Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder: Guide for the General Practitioner
24.06.88	The Medical Management of Rheumatoid Arthritis

07.04.89	Seizure Clinic: Management of the Patient with Epilepsy
14.04.89	Depressive Illness: Recognition & Treatment
21.04.89	Learning Disabilities: Differential Diagnosis
28.04.89	1. Outpatient Phototherapy for Psoriasis and Other Skin Diseases 2. The Quinolones in Clinical Perspective 3. Premenstrual Syndrome: Diagnosis and Management
05.05.89	Non-Insulin-Dependent Diabetes: ADA Guidelines for Management
12.05.89	1. Bone Loss and Osteoporosis: Women at Risk 2. Single Thyroid Nodules: Evaluation and Management
19.05.89	Asthma: Testing and Treatment
26.05.89	Managing Primary Breast Disease
02.06.89	Drugs: An American Obsession
09.06.89	Community-acquired Pneumonias: Current Clinical Approaches
16.06.89	1. Advances in Acne Therapy 2. Geriatric Gynecology: A Perceptive Approach 3. Food Sensitivity: Diagnosis and Management
23.06.89	1. Management of Noninvasive Cervical Lesions 2. Acute Respiratory Distress in Children 3. On Parting: A Shared Grief

Lectures/Workshops/Symposia

Apart from the above two mentioned activities, the Board also solely or jointly organised lectures, workshops and symposia, from which members could up-date their clinical knowledge and share experiences and ideas with distinguished medical practitioners. The lectures/workshops/symposia held during the year were as follows:

Date	Topic	Speaker
04.10.88	Common Sports Injuries of the Upper Limb and the Spine	Dr. York Chow, Orthopaedics & Traumatology 'B' Unit, Queen Elizabeth Hospital.
	Sports and Respiratory Disorder	Dr. S.Y. So, Dept. of Medicine, University of Hong Kong.
05.10.88	Common Sports Injuries of the Lower Limb	Dr. K.M. Chan Dept. of Orthopaedics & Traumatology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
	Sudden Death in Sports	Dr. K.S. Woo, Dept. of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
09.10.88	Fitness Assessment Programmes (Practical Demonstration)	Dr. Archie Lo, Dr. M.K. Chin, Jubilee Sports Centre.
	Sports Injuries Rehabilitation (Practical Demonstration)	Ms. Sheila Purves, MacLhose Medical Rehabilitation Centre, Hong Kong.
	Fluid & Electrolyte Balance in Endurance Sports	Mr. Raymond C.T. Li, Dept. of Rehabilitation Science, Hong Kong Polytechnic
		Prof. R. Swaminathan, Dept. of Chemical Pathology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
09.10.88	Sports & the Growing Child	Dr. Alfred Y.C. Tam, Dept. of Paediatrics, University of Hong Kong.

	The Role of a Sports Medicine Team Physician in Comprehensive Primary Care	Dr. David Ho
24.10.88	Pain Control in Advanced Cancer	Dr. G.W. Hanks, Consultant Physician of the Royal Marsden Hospital.
26.10.88	Auditing General Practitioners' Intervention with Patient's Lifestyle	Professor Nigel C.H. Stott, Professor of General Practice, University of Wales, Cardiff; and HKCGP Visiting Professor in General Practice to the Chinese University of Hong Kong.
14.11.88	Histamine and Respiratory Tract Bacterial Infection	Robert J. Davies
01.03.89	Family Medicine in Canada	Professor Walter W. Rosser, Chairman, Dept. of Family Medicine, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; and HKCGP Visiting Professor in General Practice to the University of Hong Kong.
06.03.89	Recurrent Cough and Wheeze in Children - A Distressing Problem	Dr. James J. Reid, Senior Lecturer, University of Otago, New Zealand.
09.04.89	Ophthalmoscopy For Non-Ophthalmologists	Prof. Patrick Ho
12.04.89	Working with Family in General Practice	Professor John Banmen, Associate Professor, University of British Columbia, Dept. of Counselling Psychology;

		President, the Canadian Council of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, Training Director of North West Satir Institute in Washington State.
25.04.89	Update of the Pathogenesis of Diabetes Mellitus How to Use Insulin in Diabetes Mellitus	Dr. Jay S. Skyler Dr. John Ma
30.04.89	1. The LDL Receptor Theory 2. HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitor, a New Therapeutic Class	Dr. Findlay Walker, Senior Director, Clinical Research, Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories.
	1. Lovastatin Long Term Efficacy and Safety Data 2. U.S. National Cholesterol Education Program Treatment Guidelines and Approaches for Primary Care Physicians	Dr. Donald Hunninghake, Professor, Dept. of Medicine and Pharmacology, University of Minnesota; Chairman, Drug Treatment Subcommittee, National Cholesterol Education Panel, National Heart Lung and Blood Institute.
01.05.89	Current Concepts of Miacalcic (Salmon Calcitonin) in Osteoporosis	Professor C. Gennari, Professor of Internal Medicine, Director of the Institute of Medical Semiotics and Clinical Methodology, Siena.
	Miacalcic (Salmon Calcitonin) Nasal Spray in the Prevention and Treatment of Post-menopausal Osteoporosis	Dr. J.Y. Reginster, Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, University of Liege.
16.05.89	Non-Invasive Pulmonary Function Test in General Practice	Dr. So Shun Yang
13.06.89	Management of Allergic Rhinitis	Dr. Peter Shun-on Tang, Sessional Consultant ENT

		Surgeon, Caritas Medical Centre, Honorary Lecturer in Dept. of Surgery, University of Hong Kong & Chinese University of Hong Kong.
21.06.89	Presentation in General Practice Psychophysiology & Psychosomatic Disorders Stress Management	Dr. Freddie Y.T. Lau Dr. Noel Y.T. Kung Dr. Robert Tang
20.08.89	1. Functions of Family Doctors within the Armed Force 2. Functions of Family Doctors in Private Practice	Representatives of RAMC New Territories Group Practice & the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners

Annual Refresher Course in General Practice

The 1988 Refresher Course in General Practice was held from Sunday, November 27 to Friday, December 9, 1988 at the Holiday Inn Golden Mile. Program of the Refresher Course is printed hereunder for members' reference:

Date	Topic	Speakers
27.11.88	Ophthalmology in General Practice.	Dr. Patrick Ho
28.11.88	Management of Insomnia.	Prof. C.N. Chen
29.11.88	Screening Procedures for Breast Cancer - Role of GPs, - Recent Approaches on Treatment of CA Breast.	Dr. T.T. Alagaratnam
01.12.88	Developmental Screening and its Significance (Well Baby Clinic).	Dr. Pancy Lai
02.12.88	Modern Trends in Immunization in Hong Kong.	Dr. N.K. Leung

04.12.88	The Medico-Legal Hazards of General Practice.	Dr. Yiu Sing Nam Dr. Mong Hoi Keung Dr. So Kai Ming
05.12.88	Laboratory Medicine.	Prof. Swaminathan
06.12.88	Management of the Infertile Couple.	Dr. Kenneth Mao
08.12.88	Screening for Cervical Dysplasia: Indications and Follow-up.	Dr. Felix Wong Dr. Margaret Kwan
09.12.88	Diabetes and its Management. Use of Oral Hypoglycaemic Drug and Compliance.	Dr. John Ma

BOARD OF EXAMINATIONS

Chairman - Dr. Stephen K. S. Foo

We congratulate Dr. Ip Pang Fei and Dr. Wong Hung Wai who passed the Second Conjoint HKCGP/RACGP Fellowship Examination. They have been conferred the Degree of FHKCGP and FRACGP at the Conferral Ceremony during the Spring Party on March 5, 1989 at the Sheraton Hotel by Dr. Natalis Yuen, our President and Dr. Clarke Munro, representative of the RACGP.

This year, we have suffered a loss of some of the most helpful members of the Board and the Panel of Examiners. Dr. Maxwell Tse, who has been serving in the Board and the Panel of Examiners for the past two years has left us for further studies in Family Medicine in Australia. We regret to note the resignation of Dr. Paul Lam, the Chief Examiner, who has been serving in the Board and the Panel of Examiners since the inception of the College Examination five years ago. We regret to lose Dr. Angela Ng, Dr. Hayles Wai Heung Wah and Dr. Kitty Chan who have resigned for personal reasons. All of them have been contributing a lot towards the successful running of the Conjoint Fellowship Examinations. On behalf of the Board, I thank them for their services and look forward to their future assistance.

Professor David Todd, the Chief Censor of the College, has resigned earlier this year. We owe a great deal to Professor Todd for his guidance and advice in

formulating the College Examinations and his supervision in the standard of the examination in the past years.

We welcome Dr. Clarke Munro, who was the Censor-in-Chief of the RACGP, being appointed by the Council as Chief Censor of the College at the resignation of Professor David Todd. Since July this year, Dr. Clarke Munro has been appointed Chief Examiner of the College at the resignation of Dr. Paul Lam. Dr. Munro has been closely associated with the Examination Board initially as the first guest lecturer for our Pre-examination Course from the RACGP and then one of the Examiners from the RACGP for the first Conjoint HKCGP/RACGP Fellowship Examination. His experience and expertise in running the RACGP Examination is most beneficial to us in formulating the Conjoint Fellowship Examination and writing the Examination Handbook. We are happy to have new blood joining the Panel of Examiners including Dr. Cynthia Chan, Dr. Ip Pang Fei, Dr. Wong Hung Wai, Dr. Maryse Badaway, Dr. Henry Wong and Dr. Ian Marshall.

Starting this year, the Board has resolved to impose changes in the format of the Examination in that candidates must apply to sit all segments of the examination in the first instance. Only unsuccessful segments need to be re-attempted. For Category I candidates, i.e. vocational trainees, the written segments must be successfully completed within four years of the first attempt. The clinical segments may be attempted only after completion of a two-year supervised training in an accredited general practice or recognised family practice centre. They must be completed within four years of the first attempt. For Category II candidates, i.e. those who have been predominantly in general practice for not less than five years, all segments must be successfully completed within four years of the first attempt. In both cases the Board may give special consideration in exceptional circumstances. As examination is part of an education process we would like to see all our candidates given the chance of going through all steps of assessment as laid down in the Examination Handbook. This change also goes more in line with the method of assessing the competence of candidates by the Royal Australian College of General Practice.

The Pre-examination Course this year will start from 10th October lasting for a week. The course, as different from previous years, will be conducted by local examiners, who are co-ordinators of various segments. The aim of the Course is to help candidates and members who are interested in sitting the examination to have some ideas of how the examination is conducted and will act as a briefing session to potential candidates. During the past few years, the Pre-examination course has proved to be very welcome by members for its educational value in family practice.

The timetable for the course is as follows:

Oct 10 (Tue)	2:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Introduction by Dr. Clarke Munro
	2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	MCQ segment by Dr. Chan Sui Po
	3:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Clinical Interpretation segment by Dr. Chan Kwok Wai
Oct 11 (Wed)	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.	MEQ segment by Dr. Wun Yuk Tsan
Oct 12 (Thur)	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Orals segment by Dr. Paul Siu
Oct 13 (Fri)	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Diagnostic Interviews segment by Dr. Cindy Lam
Oct 15 (Sun)	2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Management Interviews segment by Dr. Cynthia Chan

Sixteen members have applied and been approved to participate in the Conjoint Examination in 1989. The written segments will be held on November 5 at the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong and the clinical segments will take place from November 17 to November 20 at the College Premises and the General Practice Unit of Hong Kong University at Violet Peel Health Clinic. Among the 16 candidates, 6 are vocational trainees who have fulfilled the requirements by the Board of Vocational Training and Standards and are eligible to sit for the clinical segments. Examiners from the RACGP will be Dr. Wes Fabb, Examination Coordinator, RACGP and Dr. Lindsey Knight, Censor-in-Chief, RACGP. Both of them are very familiar with the local settings and they were Examiners last year. Local examiners will team with one examiner from RACGP during the process of assessment in each clinical segment so that each candidate will expose to at least one External Examiner and several different local examiners in any one clinical segment. The time tables for the written and clinical segment are as follows:

Written Segment

Date	: November 5, 1989 (Sunday).
Venue	: Lecture Hall, Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong, 4/F, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

Time	Section
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.	MEQ
11:30 - 12:30 p.m.	Clinical Interpretation
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	MCQ

Clinical Segment

Date	Segment & Venue
Nov 18 & 19	Morning Management Interviews at the College premises
	Afternoon Diagnostic Interviews at the Violet Peel Health Clinic
Nov 20 & 21	Morning & Afternoon Orals Examination at the College premises

I am grateful to Members of the Board and Panel of Examiners for their hardwork and selfless dedication in preparing and conducting the examination. The Board of Censors deserve our utmost appreciation for their advice and supervision in the standard of the Examination during its evolution.

The following are lists of Members of the Board, Panel of Examiners and Board of Censors:

Board of Examinations

Dr. Cynthia Chan
 Dr. Eddie Chan
 Dr. Chan Kwok Wai
 Dr. Chan Nang Fong
 Dr. Chan Sui Po
 Dr. Stephen Foo
 Dr. Freddie Lau
 Dr. Cindy Lam
 Dr. Donald Li
 Dr. Paul Siu
 Dr. Wun Yuk Tsan
 Dr. Natalis Yuen

Panel of Examiners

Dr. Maryse Badawy
 Dr. Chan Hung Chiu
 Dr. Kitty Chan
 Dr. Chan Kwok Wai
 Dr. Chan Nang Fong
 Dr. Chan Sui Po
 Dr. Eddie Chan
 Dr. Cynthia Chan
 Dr. Stephen Foo
 Dr. Ip Pang Fei
 Dr. Cindy Lam
 Dr. Freddie Lau
 Dr. Donald Li
 Dr. J. F. Mackay
 Dr. Ian Marshall
 Dr. Paul Siu
 Dr. Wai Heung Wah
 Dr. Henry Wong
 Dr. Wong Hung Wai
 Dr. Wun Yuk Tsan
 Dr. Natalis Yuen

Board of Censors

Dr. Clarke Munro (Chief Censor)
 Professor S.P.B. Donnan
 Sir Albert Rodrigues

BOARD OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING & STANDARDS

Chairman - Dr. Paul Lam

The first batch of vocational trainees of this College has recently completed and fulfilled all requirements of the vocational training programme as laid down by the College. All the five trainees are due to take the Conjoint Fellowship

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Examination of the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners in November, 1989. The College wishes to acknowledge and thank the Evangel Hospital (Honorary Clinical Supervisor: Dr. Luke Tsang) and Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital (Honorary Clinical Supervisor: Dr. Michael Lee) and all tutors/mentors and resource persons involved for the successful completion of this initial programme.

Apart from the requirements of each component of the vocational training programme, listed below are the dates/topics/resource persons or leaders for the lectures/seminars which complemented the programme:

Evangel Hospital (1988-89)

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Resource Person</i>	<i>Co-leader</i>
20.10.88	Commonly mismanaged paed. respiratory problems	Dr. Y.S. Shiu Paediatrician	S.O. Leung
03.11.88	Doctor, my child is not feeding well!	Dr. K.Y. Chan Paediatrician	L. Tsang
24.11.88	Doctor, we have not been able to have children!	Dr. Tony Chan Obst. & Gyn.	B. Bicn
08.12.88	Doctor, my periods are all mixed-up!	Dr. Tony Chan	C.C. Shek
22.12.88	Doctor, I'm no better! (Common psychosomatic symptoms in gynaecology)	Dr. K.P. So Obst. & Gyn.	C.B. Ng
05.01.89	Doctor, is my child slow?	Dr. Y.S. Chan Paediatrician	A. Tam
21.01.89	C.P.R. - practice makes perfect	Dr. M. Lee Anaesthetist	

EDITORIAL BOARD

Chief Editor - Dr. John T. N. Chung

The College Journal published a variety of articles in 1988/89 but saw a gradual trend towards GP based research and topics concerning GPs and society, GPs and health promotion. This did not come about by design but reflected a general awareness of the societal role of GPs and more readiness on the part of GPs to engage in practice research. From clinical topics such as diabetic care, otitis media, GI neoplasms to medicine and culture, smoking in secondary school children, urinary tract infection in general practice, health promotion, the Presidential addresses, the first Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration and onto the business of medicine in Hong Kong, the Editorial Board tried to offer an educational, a philosophical, an inspiring and perhaps an entertaining read. The Board recognised an increasingly higher quality of papers and wishes to congratulate the contributors for their efforts, but only hopes that more GPs will be inspired by the enthusiasm of their colleagues and start writing articles for their Journal. The Board thanks the College Secretariat for their usual dependable support and the advertisers for their generosity.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairman - Dr. Paul C. H. Siu

The College consists of the following category of members

Fellows	101
Full Members	280
Associate Members	203
Student Members	247
Visiting Members	3
Overseas Member	21

Total : 855

Two new "Fellows" are elected this year after they have passed our Conjoint Fellowship Examination and have satisfied our other criteria of the Fellowship requirements. We have now a total of 101 Fellows of the College.

To facilitate the promotion of "Family Practice" at an early stage of a doctor's career, a special concession rate is implemented for junior doctors. All medical practitioners within 3 years of their full registration with the Medical Council of Hong Kong are given a 50% reduction of their entrance fee when joining our College. A further 50% reduction in their annual subscription is also applicable within the first 3 years of their full registration.

There is an upsurge in the number of new student members joining our College at an early stage of their medical curriculum. Student members upon graduation from their medical school are automatically upgraded as our "Associate Member". They can also enjoy the 50% reduction of their annual subscription as previously mentioned.

A number of our previous members who have emigrated and returned rejoined our College. This is encouraging and we welcome them back and hope that they can continue to provide full participations and promotions of our College activities.

External Affairs Committee

Chairman - Dr. Paul Lam (reported on his behalf by Hon. Secretary)

A summary of activities carried by the External Affairs Committee

Date	Event
1988 Sept 25	Entertained external examiners of the 1988 Conjoint Fellowship Examination, Dr. Wes Fabb and Dr. Lindsey Knight and their spouses at the races at Jockey Club Shatin racecourse.
1988 Sept 27 -	Received visitors Dr. Chow Yuk Fong and Dr. Wong Yee Hing from Capital Institute of Medicine, Beijing, China, who attended our Annual General Meeting.
Sept 30	Arranged for their visit to the General Practice Unit of University of Hong Kong.

1988 Oct 11 Held a dinner in honour of Prof. Yodfat, Chairman, Organizing Committee of 1989 WONCA World Conference during his visit to Hong Kong.

1989 Jan 23 Immediate Past President Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee was invited by the Chinese Medical Association to be Guest of Honour in the inauguration of the Beijing Society of General Practitioners.

1989 Feb 26 Dr. Chan Nang Fong represented the College to attend a regional workshop on Research in Family Medicine held in Singapore, organized by the College of Family Physicians of Canada with a theme "Does the family medicine paradigm have relevance in developing countries?"

1989 Apr 1 Tripartite Meeting of Beijing Society of General Practice, Chinese-Taipei Association of Family Medicine and the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners here in Hong Kong in a symposium "Health Delivery Systems in Asia". The College Council gave a welcoming dinner in honour of delegates of the two associations of general practice and-family medicine at the HKMA premises.

Our College arranged for the delegates of the two associations to visit the general practice unit of both Universities as well as the Prince of Wales Hospital.

After the tripartite meeting in Hong Kong, ten members from the Chinese-Taipei Association of Family Medicine visited Beijing, China.

1989 May 26 Delegates from our College Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee, Dr. Eddie Chan and Dr. Chan Nang Fong attended the WONCA World Conference in Israel. Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee became President-Elect with installation as President of WONCA at the next World Congress to be held in Vancouver in 1992. Dr. Eddie Chan attended a meeting hosted by the Royal College of General Practitioners at the World Conference on "distribution of educational programmes and the Royal College news on British Medical Television". Dr. Chan Nang Fong chaired a symposium on "Cancer Detection in Women" at the Conference.

The College was successful in its bid to host the 1995 WONCA World Conference after hard work and preparation by our Bidding Committee. The College was also privileged to receive supporting letters locally. (see Hon. Secretary's report)

INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chairman - Dr. Cindy Lam

The major events organized by the Internal Affairs Committee in the past year were the second Fellowship Conferment Ceremony and the Annual Dinner. The two events were held on the same day on Sunday, March 5, 1989 at the Sheraton Hotel. They were well attended by many guests of honour and over 150 College Fellows, members and their families and friends.

During the Conferment Ceremony, the two successful candidates of the 1988 ~~Conjoint Fellowship Examination were conferred Fellows of the H.K.C.G.P. and the R.A.C.G.P.~~ The highlight of the ceremony was the first Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration 'The Human Face of Medicine' delivered by Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee. The certificates of Continuing Medical Education 1988, and attendance at the 1988 Annual Refresher Course were awarded after the Oration. The Ceremony ended after the presentations of souvenirs to Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee and Dr. Henry F. K. Li.

The Annual Dinner followed the Conferment Ceremony and was highlighted with a lucky draw. It provided an opportunity for College Fellows, members, their families and friends to share their experiences in a relaxed manner with a lot of fun and laughter.

The Internal Affairs Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Fellows and Members who have helped to make the above events successful.

HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman - Dr. Chan Nang Fong

The Secretariat's office layout was rearranged to maximise the use of space and increase efficiency in the day to day work. Additional storage space was created by the installation of shelves in the pantry.

The College Library collection is continuously updated and expanded especially in the General Practice/Family Medicine section. We now have a total of 180 books and 40 different journal titles. Some major journal titles were rebound into yearly volumes to facilitate tracing of past issues.

There are now 29 enrolled members of the College Library. Each member is entitled to borrow up to 4 books for a period of two weeks. Membership is open to all College members and fellows by payment of a refundable deposit of HK\$300. It is hoped that more members will enrol and make use of the Library facilities.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Chairman - Dr. Bernard W.K. Lau

The Research Committee continued to stimulate the interest of the College members in launching research projects in general practice and in their own practices in particular. The members were reminded that research should be one of the skills as well as aims of a general practitioner. The Committee had endeavoured to assist in several on-going surveys, assess the territory of Hong Kong, including "Asthma in General Practice", and "Psychiatric Problems in General Practice". Members are encouraged to take part in College projects, and groundwork assistance would be available to some of members' personal projects.

THE COMPUTER COMMITTEE

Chairman - Dr. Alfred Tang

The computers of the College are now better utilized after computerization of the accounting system and some of the administrative work of the Secretariat of the College. The Committee is now working on the use of computer by members for self-assessment programmes as well as information retrieval both local and overseas.

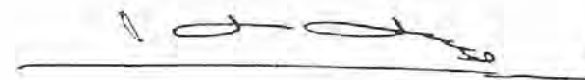
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

All these aforementioned activities of our College could not have been come true without the support and assistance of various parties. Here we must express our gratitude to the many pharmaceuticals; our Board of Censors, Dr. Clarke Munro, Professor S.P.B. Donnan, Sir Albert Rodrigues; our Hon. Adviser, Mr. Philip P. Y. Yuen; our Hon. Auditor, Ho and Ho & Company, and the staff of our College Secretariat. All of them have been indispensable to the growth and development of our College.

Report of The Honorary Auditors to the Members of The Hong Kong College of General Practitioners

We have audited the accounts set out on pages 28 to 33 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion, the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College at 31st March 1989 and of its surplus for the period from 1st January 1988 to 31st March 1989 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Ordinance.



Ho and Ho & Company
Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong, 25th August 1989

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 1989

	Notes	1989 HK\$	1987 HK\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Sundry debtors		95,972	101,469
Prepayments		-	5,703
Cash and bank balances		699,650	434,157
Stock of College ties and pullovers		39,051	42,989
		<u>834,673</u>	<u>584,318</u>
DEDUCT: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provision for taxation		26,315	-
Sundry deposit		8,700	-
Sundry creditors		51,828	97,936
Other loan		-	145,000
Receipt in advance		-	103,075
		<u>86,843</u>	<u>346,011</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		747,830	238,307
FIXED ASSETS	(2a&3)	149,669	251,690
DEFERRED TAXATION	(1c&6)	(11,174)	-
		<u>886,325</u>	<u>489,997</u>
Financed by:-			
GENERAL FUND		101,051	(295,277)
PREMISES FUND		785,274	785,274
		<u>886,325</u>	<u>489,997</u>

Approved by the Members of Council on 25th August 1989.



Director



Director

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this balance sheet.

**General Fund Income and Expenditure Account
Period From 1st January 1988 to 31st March 1989**

	NOTES	1/1/1988 - 31/3/1989 HK\$	Year Ended 31/12/1987 HK\$
TURNOVER	(2b)	<u>1,181,254</u>	<u>684,254</u>
SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION	(4)	433,817	21,318
LESS : TAXATION	(6)	<u>37,489</u>	<u>-</u>
SURPLUS AFTER TAXATION		396,328	21,318
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>(295,277)</u>	<u>(316,595)</u>
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		<u>101,051</u>	<u>(295,277)</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this general fund income and expenditure account.

Notes to the Accounts

Period From 1st January 1988 to 31st March 1989

1. General

The College is a company limited by guarantee and without a share capital. The liability of each of its members is limited to an amount not exceeding HK\$10.

2. Principal Accounting Policies

(a) Depreciation on fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets on the straight line basis at an annual rate of 15% on cost.

(b) Turnover

Turnover represents revenues from entrance fees, subscriptions, credit hour scheme registration fees and certificate fees and other income.

(c) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided, using the liability method, in respect of timing differences between profit as computed for taxation purpose and profit as stated in the financial statements to the extent that the liability is expected to be crystallised in the foreseeable future.

3. Fixed Assets

	College Premises HK\$	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$	Total HK\$
Cost			
At 1st January 1988	500,000	619,843	1,119,843
Additions	-	17,477	17,477
At 31st March 1989	<u>500,000</u>	<u>637,320</u>	<u>1,137,320</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1st January 1988	500,000	368,153	868,153
Charge for the period	-	119,498	119,498
At 31st March 1989	<u>500,000</u>	<u>487,651</u>	<u>987,651</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31st March 1989	<u>-</u>	<u>149,669</u>	<u>149,669</u>
At 31st December 1987	<u>-</u>	<u>251,690</u>	<u>251,690</u>

The College premises are held under long term lease and are situated in Hong Kong.

	31/3/1989 HK\$	31/12/1987 HK\$
4. Surplus Before Taxation		
Surplus before taxation is stated after charging the following:-		
Interest on loan from council members	3,625	7,914
Interest on bank overdraft	28	-
Depreciation on fixed assets	<u>119,498</u>	<u>142,976</u>

5. Council Members' Remuneration

None of the Council members received any remuneration in respect of their services to the College during the period.

6. Taxation

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided in the accounts as follows:-

	HK\$
(i) Profits tax at 17% of the assessable profit after offsetting taxation loss of previous years	26,315
(ii) Deferred taxation	<u>11,174</u>
	<u>37,489</u>

Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
Period from 1st January 1988 to 31st March 1989

INCOME	Schedules	HK\$
Entrance fee from members	(1)	33,000
Subscriptions from members	(2)	176,319
Credit hour scheme registration fees		18,322
Scientific seminar income		14,961
Rental income		542
Interest on bank deposits		15,040
Surplus on vocational training		2,662
Surplus on annual dinner		8,564
Surplus on publication of journal		427,374
Donations received		18,783
Commission income		14,621
Surplus on consumer items		16,237
Income from secretarial service		4,253
Sundry income		20,928
Surplus on fellowship examination		34,906
Surplus on refresher course		107,509
Surplus on College souvenirs		401
Surplus on regional conference		266,832
		<u>1,181,254</u>
LESS : EXPENDITURE		
Salaries and allowances		322,050
Printing and stationery		58,518
Postage and stamp duty		8,229
Subscriptions		5,222
Travelling expenses		2,157
Business registration and filing fees		750
Library collection		9,711
Repairs and renewals		15,631
Professional fees		2,500
Provident fund		57,030
Office expenses		26,558
Interest expenses		3,653
Rates and maintenance		41,246
Depreciation on fixed assets		119,498
Sundry expenses		39,422
Bulk purchase		14,364
Meeting expenses		2,632
Donation		2,880
Leasing expenses		15,386
		<u>747,437</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD		433,817
TAXATION		37,489
		<u>396,328</u>
BALANCE OF GENERAL FUND BROUGHT FORWARD		(295,277)
BALANCE OF GENERAL FUND CARRIED FORWARD		<u>101,051</u>

Schedules to Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
Period from 1st January 1988 to 31st March 1989

	HK\$
1. Entrance fees from members	
Full members	21,750
Associate members	<u>11,250</u>
	<u>33,000</u>
2. Subscriptions from members	
Fellow members	30,900
Full members	82,900
Associate members	45,650
Overseas members	3,447
Student members	12,575
Visiting members	847
	<u>176,319</u>

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