

Dr Patrick Hall-Smith, MD FRCP 1919-2002

Patrick died peacefully a few hours after enjoying himself hugely at a party in his consulting rooms in the company of friends, medical colleagues and members of his family.

Patrick was the son of a GP and trained at Edinburgh University. He qualified in 1942 and served in the RAMC until 1947. He then became senior registrar at the London Hospital and passed MRCP (Edinburgh and London) and obtained his MD. In 1951 he was appointed to two sessions in Brighton and picked up other sessions in Hastings and Haywards Heath, racing between clinics in his TR2 (an area now covered by six consultants).

Over the years he concentrated his enormous energy on Brighton where he saw a huge number of appreciative NHS and private patients. He was heavily involved in medical management in Brighton and was President of the Brighton Medico-Chirurgical Society and the dermatology section of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Patrick believed that bright young people should become doctors and all young doctors should become dermatologists. He helped many to achieve these aims.

Above all Patrick was a family man. His wife Angela was a



beloved companion for fifty years and he was a benign patriarch to his four children and many grandchildren.

Dr Charles Darley

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