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am writing this to welcome you to the British Association of Dermatologists’ Annual meeting in Edinburgh, Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th July 2002. Edinburgh has always been a very popular venue, given the wonderful facilities and central location as well as the many attractions of the city and surrounding area. The Conference Centre is ideal for our meeting and the layout provides an excellent opportunity for listening to the talks, participating in small group fora and visiting the commercial exhibition. I hope therefore that as many of you as possible will be able to attend. This assumes that you will not be too weary from the World Congress of Dermatology the week before or diverted by the attractions of a well known golf tournament proceeding at the same time a few miles to the north east of Edinburgh. We are going to make a number of changes this year to the programme to meet the clear desire of our members to hear more didactic presentations while retaining a strong element of the free communications that form an important part of the annual meeting. Hywel Williams has also agreed to run a short preconference course aimed at specialist registrars.

For the social programme we are visiting the Dynamic Earth exhibit for the President’s Reception. This is an exciting venue - Scotland’s much more successful answer to the Millennium Dome - and a large area for us to meet and talk. The dinner will be in the Museum where we held the reception last time and again the hall for the dinner is a majestic site with provision for dancing afterwards amongst the Egyptian sarcophagi and Neolithic axe heads.

Edinburgh is one of the most beautiful cities in Europe and July is an ideal time to visit - although it can be wet. However whatever the climate brings us I hope that you will enjoy what promises to be an exciting and entertaining meeting.

Professor Rod Hay
President
**REGISTRATION FEES**

All delegate fees are inclusive of lunch in the Cromdale Hall of Edinburgh International Conference Centre from Tuesday to Friday.

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Please note that all the above registration fees are inclusive of VAT.

**ABSTRACT FORMS**

Abstracts of papers and posters should be submitted for consideration by the Scientific Committee and will be judged without knowledge of either the authors or institutions. Original communications will be allotted 15 minutes for presentation, which must include time for discussion. Clinico-pathological cases will be allotted 10 minutes for presentation, which again will include time for discussion. The closing date for receipt of abstracts is Monday 14th January 2002 and authors will be notified of the results at the end of February 2002. An abstract form is enclosed.

**ACCOMMODATION**

Clansman Monarch has been appointed to deal with all delegate hotel bookings. A range of hotels located within the city of Edinburgh has been reserved. A hotel booking form will be sent with the registration form later this year. Delegates are advised to book their accommodation early as we anticipate that accommodation in Edinburgh will be at a premium during the dates of the meeting, due to other events being held in the area during the week. Please note the BAD is not responsible for booking ANY hotel accommodation.

**BRITISH DERMATOLOGICAL NURSING GROUP 12TH ANNUAL MEETING**

The British Dermatological Nursing Group will once more be holding its Annual Meeting alongside the BAD. Details of registration fees and programme information will be available at the end of November. Please contact Kathryn Openshaw or Emma Clayton on (020) 7383 0266, or e-mail kathryn@bad.org.uk or emmac@bad.org.uk

**ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PROGRAMME**

The accompanying persons’ trips have been scheduled over three days of the meeting, allowing your guests and families to enjoy Edinburgh at their leisure as well. As in previous years tickets are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. All tickets will be non-refundable and non-exchangeable.

**City tour and highlights of Edinburgh**

A panoramic tour starting in the medieval Old Town and Royal Mile, including a visit to Edinburgh Castle. The tour will then continue east along the Royal Mile to The Palace at Holyrood House, the Queen’s residence when in Edinburgh.

**Tantallon Castle, North Berwick and the Royal Yacht Britannia**

This combined tour offers the chance to visit both Tantallon Castle and the small coastal town of North Berwick. The trip will conclude with a visit of the Queen’s former Royal Yacht Britannia moored in the port of Leith.

**The Trossachs and Loch Lomond**

This full day tour of the Trossachs will include a cruise on Loch Katrine on the ‘Sir Walter Scott’ steam ship, taking in a number of historic sites on route.