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Dear Fellow

The first Society meeting of the 2024/25 session will be held on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024**. It will be the First General Meeting of the Society following which the incoming President, Dr Susan West, will deliver her Presidential Address on:

**THE FALKLANDS WAR AS A JUNIOR DOCTOR**

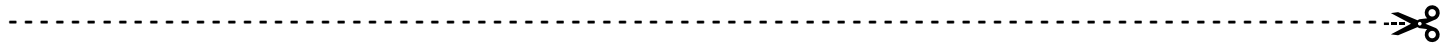
Dr Sue West is a General Practitioner who worked in Northeast London for over 25 years. She had a particular interest in the provision of contraceptive services to young people. She was a police surgeon with the Metropolitan Police, particularly involved with victims of sexual assault and child abuse. Dr West was a member of the Royal Naval Reserve for 27 years, retiring in 2010 as Principal Medical Officer on HMS President in London.

*This presentation details her early experiences as a junior doctor when the cruise ship Canberra, on which she was Assistant Surgeon, was requisitioned to be part of the task force to take back the Falkland Islands. She is one of the few women who hold the South Atlantic medal. She published a memoir in 2022 to commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the campaign.*

A Buffet Supper will precede the meeting at 6.45pm. The cost of the evening, to include the lecture and supper will be £42 per person for Fellows and Guests. If you wish to attend the supper please send your cheque to reach the Registrar at the above address by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October accompanied by the attached slip. Coffee and biscuits will be served after the lecture. **Please note that we cannot usually accept orders for suppers after 12 noon on the Friday before a Monday meeting. However, if after Friday noon you decide you would like to attend, please telephone in advance to ascertain whether you can be accommodated for supper.**

Yours faithfully,

Honorary Secretaries  
Dr Rudy Capildeo MB BS FRCP  
Professor Heather Angus-Leppan MSc MD FRACP FRCP



To the Registrar, 11 Chandos Street, London, W1G 9EB

I wish to attend the Buffet Supper on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and enclose a cheque for myself and .....guest(s) at £42 PER PERSON. If you wish to pay by BACS: Sort Code 20 36 88 Acc 00756741. **Please use your surname and date of the meeting as a reference and send an email to [info@medsoclondon.org](mailto:info@medsoclondon.org) to confirm your booking.**

I wish to attend the lecture only (no fee payable)

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## Agenda for the First General Meeting on the 251st Session

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024
2. Receive Annual Report and Accounts for 2023-2024  
Available at  
<https://medsoclondon.org/annual-reports-and-accounts/>
3. Induction of the President and Secretaries
4. The Registrar's report, and the Health and Safety Briefing