



OBITUARIES

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Thomas Charles Dann managed to combine a career as a physician with his interests in academia and the health of young people. Writing frequently on matters related to education and health, he most notably criticised the psychological pressures

faced by some young people as a result of excessive expectations imposed on them in both academic and other areas. The increasing number of people attending university also drew his attention, and he thought that many did so not through desire, but through expectation. He also bemoaned the decimation of dedicated university health services, believing they were far more appropriate for the needs of students than the general practices that replaced them.

He enjoyed writing and won Hunterian Society gold medals in 1970 and 1974. In addition, he published papers disputing claims of the continued reduction in the age of menarche and campaigned to dispense with routine swabbing before injections, something he showed was unnecessary and largely ineffective. He enjoyed the arts, especially music, and in retirement to Cambridge he was a practitioner for the British Association for Performing Arts Medicine, maintaining his interest in medicine throughout his life. He leaves his wife, Jean; a daughter; a son; and five grandchildren.

Biography

Former chief medical officer Warwick University (b 1932; q Cambridge/University College Hospital, London, 1958; Cert Av Med MoD (Air), BA, MRCS Eng, MD Camb, MA, DOBst RCOG), died from prostate cancer on 7 August 2017

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