

P990 The Pradip Datta Collection

RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference number: GB1741/P990

Alternative reference number:

Title: The Pradip Datta Collection

Dates of creation: c.2013- Jun 2022

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 1 box

Format: Paper, wood, glass, USB stick

RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Pradip Datta, Ian Mackenzie, Roy Mackenzie, Alan Hendry/John o' Groat Journal

Administrative history: Pradip Datta was born in India. He became a doctor there before coming to the UK in search of higher surgical training. After qualifying he returned to India but was drawn back by the ethos of the NHS. He eventually became a consultant general surgeon in Wick. In Wick, he single-handedly established a postgraduate surgical course, for which he was granted an MBE in the 1998 New Year's Honours list.

Pradip was a keen sportsman and was known for his prowess in squash. His favourite court at Wick Squash Club was renamed 'The Pradip Datta Court' in July 2021.

He passed away in March 2022 after a long illness.

Ian Mackenzie was a well- known local artist and founder member of the Wick Society.

Custodial history: Deposited by Roy Mackenzie, friend to Pradip Datta and cousin of Ian Mackenzie

RECORDS' CONTENT

Description: Autobiography; Medical publications of Pradip Datta and associated original artwork by Ian Mackenzie; Order of Service and tributes to Pradip Datta and Ian Mackenzie

Appraisal:

Accruals:

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until:

Access conditions: Available within the Archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in Archive searchroom

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue: August 2022

Ref.	Description	Dates
P990/1	Autobiography of Pradip Datta	2020
P990/1/1	Signed copy of Pradip Datta's autobiography <i>The Naked Mountain Lands: The trials, tribulations and attainments of an Indian Surgeon in the UK</i> . Published by Doctors Academy Publications, United Kingdom (1 volume)	2020
P990/1/2	USB stick containing audio recording of <i>The Naked Mountain Lands: The trials, tribulations and attainments of an Indian Surgeon in the UK</i> . Narrated by Finlay McLean. (1 item)	2020
P990/2	Medical publications of Pradip Datta and associated original artwork by Ian Mackenzie	c.2013-2016
P990/2/1	<i>FRCS (General Surgery): The Road to Success</i> by Pradip Datta and C.R. Selvasekar. Published by Doctors Academy Publications. Contains illustrations by Ian Mackenzie (1 volume)	Mar 2016
P990/2/2	Original framed illustrations by Ian Mackenzie. Humorous sketches representing key points students need to be aware of in achieving the FRCS qualification. Included in the book <i>FRCS (General Surgery): The Road to Success</i> by Pradip Datta and C.R. Selvasekar (2 items)	c.2013
P990/2/3	Collection of drawings by Ian Mackenzie. Drawn for the purpose of illustrating a lecture given by Pradip Datta on 'Communication by Surgeons' delivered to various medical institutions around the world (1 bundle)	c.2013
P990/3	Order of Service and tributes to Pradip Datta and Ian Mackenzie	2018-2022
P990/3/1	Order of Service from the Celebration of the Life of Pradip Kumar Datta. Held in St Fergus Church, Wick on the 4 th June 2022.	4 Jun 2022
P990/3/2	Transcript of a tribute given by Roy Mackenzie at the Celebration of Pradip Datta's life. The tribute focuses on their friendship and enthusiasm for squash (4 items)	3 Jun 2022
P990/3/3	Newspaper article titled 'Humility was part of Pradip Datta's DNA' by Alan Hendry, published in the John o' Groat Journal following the Celebration of his Life in St Fergus Church on the 4 th of June 2022 (1 item)	10 Jun 2022

P990/3/4	Order of Service from the Celebration of Life of Ian Mackenzie. Held at the Braehead, Smith Terrace, Wick (1 item)	13 Aug 2018
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