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### OBITUARY

#### Dr. John Francis Varley

Recently we have been informed of the death of Dr. John Varley, who was living in retirement in Shoreham By Sea, Sussex.

He obtained a BA Cambridge in 1925, and qualified MRCS, LRCP in 1928 at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. Subsequently, he obtained MB, BCh at London University in 1932, and MRCP in 1933. He was Consultant Physician to the Southlands Hospital, Shoreham, until his retirement in 1974.

He joined the British Association of Sport and Medicine in 1954, the year after its establishment, and remained a member until his death earlier this year.

H. E. Robson

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#### Dr. H. A. J. Thomas

##### Dr. F. T. Horan writes

"Alun Thomas died in his sleep on January 16th, 1981. He was associated with W. E. Tucker for twelve years at the Clinic in Park Street, London and took over on Bill's retirement. A Barts man, his early interest and training lay in orthopaedics and he had a wide background of experience in the disorders of the musculo-skeletal system. He gave generously of his time and expertise to all connected with sport and was a familiar figure at major events, particularly at Lord's.

He was especially concerned with the equestrian world and many of the leading show jumpers, event riders and jockeys were looked after by Alun. He was a steward of the British Boxing Board of Control and surgeon to the Injured Jockeys Compensation Fund, Wimbledon F.C., Middlesex County Cricket Club and Lord's Cricket Ground.

Alun was a warm hearted man, a splendid companion and an excellent doctor. His unique position in Sports Medicine was reflected in the large attendance at his memorial service and was a fitting tribute to a much loved man and admired friend."

*(A short obituary appeared in Brit.J.Sports Med. 15:1)*