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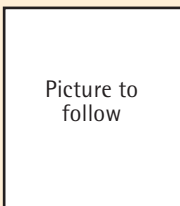
Evening buffet suppers with colleagues  
Rugby Town Mayoral Civic Reception & Dinner  
A demonstration game of Wheelchair Rugby  
Tour of Rugby School  
A visit to Rugby School Museum

A series of site seeing outings can be arranged for accompanying persons including Stratford upon Avon – birthplace of William Shakespeare, Warwick Castle and London. Shopping in the elegant Regency Spa town of Leamington.  
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## Hotels & Accommodation

### Brandon Hall & Spa, Rugby

The conference centre has an excellent range of accommodation on site with adjoining facilities that include a 18m pool, gym, spa, saunas and pampering treatments. Prices are from £95 per night B&B. See more on [www.macdonald-hotels/brandonhall.co.uk](http://www.macdonald-hotels/brandonhall.co.uk) or e your requirements to [reservationsbrandonhall@mcDonalds.co.uk](mailto:reservationsbrandonhall@mcDonalds.co.uk)



### The Village Green Hotel, Dunchurch

A small award winning B&B located in the picturesque & historic coaching village of Dunchurch. Five pubs & restaurants to choose from. Prices from £65.50 Bed & English Breakfast. See more at [www.villagegreenhotel.co.uk](http://www.villagegreenhotel.co.uk) or e your requirements to [info@vghrugby.co.uk](mailto:info@vghrugby.co.uk)  
Transport to conference venues included.

### Rugby School Student Accommodation

Gone are the days of freezing cold dormitories – the totally modern student accommodation is very comfortable & breakfast is served in the historic dining hall and houses. An opportunity for delegates to live the Tom Browns Schooldays (in luxury). Prices £45 Bed & Breakfast  
To see more go to [www.rugbyschool.net](http://www.rugbyschool.net) or e your requirements to?



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Rugby School



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## About The Ann Conroy Trust (ACT)

The Ann Conroy Trust (ACT) was established in 1980 by Ann Conroy, a syringomyelia victim, and a patient of Bernard Williams, to help fellow sufferers and their carers to fund research into the condition of syringomyelia and its associated disorders.

The charity is the only organisation in the UK providing educational material about syringomyelia. It funds vital research work and provides a national helpline and support network which includes qualified support counsellors for sufferers and their carers. A national branch network putting sufferers in touch with each other is expanding across the United Kingdom.



Also see us on our website

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# Syringomyelia 2007

October 23rd, 24th & 25th  
RUGBY • ENGLAND

Dear Colleagues

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to join a meeting in the historic town of Rugby, England of specialists in the management of Syringomyelia at an international symposium arranged by The Ann Conroy Trust and in association with The University of Birmingham and The Society of British Neurological Surgeons.

Our aim is to define the current state of understanding about syringomyelia and its related disorders, to establish what should be current best practice in treating these conditions and to provide direction for future research in this field.

We look forward to greeting you at  
Syringomyelia 2007 Rugby



Graham Flint, Chairman  
Scientific Faculty  
Syringomyelia 2007  
Rugby



## Symposium topics will include...

- Historical overview
- Hindbrain related syringomyelia
- Post-traumatic syringomyelia
- Idiopathic syringomyelia
- Tumours
- Arachnoiditis
- Tethered cord
- Syringomyelia in childhood
- Epidemiology
- Aetiology
- Pathology
- CSF physiology
- Clinical presentation
- Radiology
- Electrophysiology
- Surgical approaches
- Pain management
- Experimental work
- Veterinary aspects
- Patient Perception

## Invited professionals include...

- Neurosurgeons
- Paediatric Neurosurgeons
- Spinal Injuries Specialists
- Neurologists
- Spinal Orthopaedic Surgeons
- Specialists in Pain Management
- Physiologists
- Radiologists
- Veterinary Specialists with an interest in Syringomyelia

## Abstracts and Submissions

Our scientific faculty will be delighted to consider your abstract submission of your best and most recent work. Accepted abstracts will be published in the Symposium Abstract book given to all given delegates attending.

Abstracts will be considered from January 2007 and the deadline for submissions is May 7th 2007.

Abstracts must be in electronic format and emailed to [abstractscommittee@syringomyelia2007.org](mailto:abstractscommittee@syringomyelia2007.org) For more detailed information please go to [www.syringomyelia2007.org](http://www.syringomyelia2007.org) A Symposium monograph will be published.

If you have any questions regarding the scientific content of the meeting please contact Graham Flint at [graham.flint@uhb.nhs.uk](mailto:graham.flint@uhb.nhs.uk)

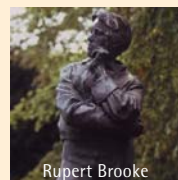
## Venue: Rugby, two locations

### Rugby School

During a game of football on an Autumn day in the year of 1823, on a ground called the Close at Rugby School, one William Webb Ellis, then a 16 year old pupil of the school, 'with a fine disregard of the rules ... first took the ball in his arms and ran with it'. And so the modern version of this major world sport was born.



Rugby School, with its glorious buildings, brushes the top of High Street itself and adds a hint of fantasy to the gyratory traffic scheme around the corner. Here is distant vision of boisterous schoolboy mythology – from the days of Dr Arnold, the fine disregard for the rules by which Rugby was born, the stricken poets of both wards and today's actuality of laptop clutching students – girls as well as boys. [www.rugbyschool.net](http://www.rugbyschool.net)



Rupert Brooke

### Brandon Hall Conference Centre, Rugby

Brandon Hotel, Spa and Conference Centre is a brand new purpose built conference centre. Having just completed a £10million redevelopment programme.

Located in the heart of the Warwickshire countryside but very accessible to Rugby, major airports, railway and motorway networks. This superb facility is of international standard but small enough to cater for our delegates requirements. [www.macdonald-hotels.co.uk/brandonhall](http://www.macdonald-hotels.co.uk/brandonhall)



### Rugby Town

Rugby can be traced back to an early Anglo-Saxon settlement. Mention of the town can be found in the Domesday Book of 1068, when it was known as Rochberie.

Nestling in the heart of the undiscovered Warwickshire countryside, Rugby holds the unique position as the birthplace of Rugby Football and as you would expect, many of its attractions stir the passions of the rugby enthusiast. There is, however, much more to Rugby than rugby ..... Rugby is easy to reach by road, rail and even canal, situated 30 minutes from Birmingham and an hour by train from London.



William Webb Ellis

Rugby is so ideally situated that it also makes a good touring base. Its central location means that you can easily explore nearby attractions such as Stratford upon Avon, Warwick, Royal Leamington Spa and Stanford Hall, together with the historic castles of Warwick and Kenilworth and Althorp House, childhood home of the late Diana, Princess of Wales. [www.rugbytourism.org.uk](http://www.rugbytourism.org.uk)

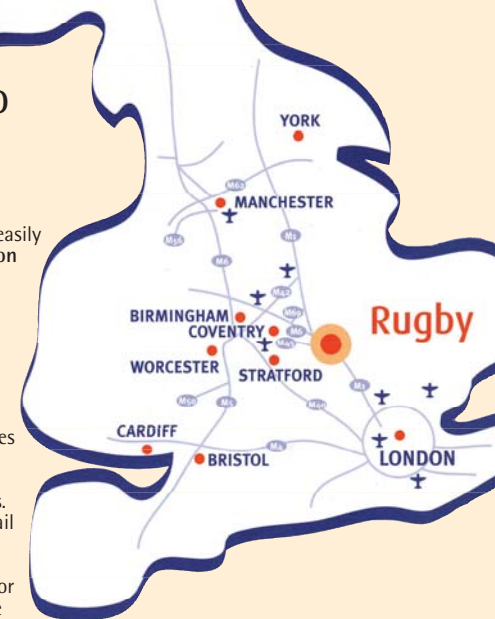
## Getting to Rugby

### By Road

Rugby town centre is easily accessible from junction 18 and 20 of the M1 motorway and from junction 1 of the M6.

### By Rail

Travelling to Rugby by train is easy. There are fast, regular rail services from London, Birmingham and most major towns and cities. There is also a direct rail link to Birmingham International and Manchester airports. For rail information phone 08457 484950.



### By Air

Rugby is within easy travelling distance of Birmingham International, Coventry, Nottingham East Midlands and London Luton airports.

## Programme (Provisional)

- DAY 1 – Brandon Hall Conference Centre, Rugby
- DAY 2 – Rugby School, Lectures/Abstracts, school tour, museum tour and a game of wheelchair Rugby, Rugby town mayoral Civic Reception
- DAY 3 – Brandon Hall Conference Centre, Rugby

For up to date details of the programme go to [www.syringomyelia2007.org](http://www.syringomyelia2007.org) Website will be updated regularly

## Registration and delegate fee

Registration Fee	Paid before May 7th 2007	Paid between May 7th & October 1st	Paid on site
3 day delegate	£395	£495	£595
Trainees and Students	<b>£295</b>	<b>£395</b>	<b>£495</b>
2 day delegate	£295	£350	£495
Trainees and Students	<b>£195</b>	<b>£250</b>	<b>£395</b>
1 day delegate	£150	£190	£250
Trainees and Students	<b>£120</b>	<b>£150</b>	<b>£200</b>

Day delegate rate includes conference, refreshments, lunch & evening meal, delegates social programme and transport between hotels & venue. Price does not include VAT. See [www.syringomyelia2007.org](http://www.syringomyelia2007.org) for full information about VAT payments.