## Annual Dinner

Held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2018 Guest Speaker: Dr Kevin Jones "Stand and Deliver – A Life on the After Dinner Circuit"



Guests enjoyed welcoming drinks in the Council Room when members intermingled with the great and good of Merseyside. Distinguished attendees included the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, the Dean of the Medical School and presidents of the Athenaeum, Law Society, Medico-Legal Society, Birkenhead Medical Society and the Medical Students Society.

The evening was oversubscribed, with 12 Past presidents attending thanks to the enthusiasm of Prof Colm O'Mahony and the fame of our guest speaker Dr Kevin Jones.

Debbie and Dennis and team served a splendid 5 course meal of which the highlight was Tournedos Rossini accompanied by appropriate wines.

Our President introduced Kevin as a Liverpool graduate, employed as a Consultant Physician in Bolton and climbing the ladder of after dinner speakers with a one man show scheduled for the Edinburgh Festival in August this year. Kevin described some hilarious medical anecdotes which he had accumulated over the years. Some incidents from yesteryear were not to everybody's taste but as he gained confidence and riskiness the audience was soon in the palm of his hand.

eg. A librarian denied she had a copy of "Psycho The Rapist" only to learn that the reader wished to borrow that well known tome "Psychotherapist"!

A standing ovation rightly concluded the formal evening whilst members desperately tried to recall some funny moments but never with our speaker's style and timing of delivery.

**Chris Evans**