signs

- Systemic embolism
  - Serious complication before surgery & anti coag’s
  - correlation with age, size, CO
  - No correlation with valve area
  - Suspect IE - sinus rhythm
  - as 1st symptom
  - Present as stroke, MI & HTN
  - Sudden death
Severity

- Severe PAP
- Pulmonary ejection
- Systolic TR
- Graham steel
- Decreased A2 – OS interval – exercise
- AF
Medical RX

- Penicillin & IE prophylaxis
- Oral diuretics
- Restrict salt
- Oral anticoagulants
- Digitalis, beta & calcium blockers