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Letter from the Master



The Master, Wardens and Principal Guests at Painters' Hall
Photo: Michael O'Sullivan

THE PRINCIPAL "FORMAL" EVENT OF THE YEAR is our Budget Banquet which was held this year on 3rd March at Painters' Hall. It is our opportunity to return the hospitality received from other Financial Services Companies by inviting a number of other Masters to dine with us. Being held shortly before what was anticipated to be a closely fought General Election, politicians and HMRC officials felt unable to speak. However our Upper Warden, Arnold Homer, with the assistance of Enoch and Eli, well known characters from the Midlands, entertained us with wit and cautionary tales of the dangers of the bandwagon attacking so-called "tax dodging" which the press and politicians are too ready to jump on.

Also in March, I attended the United Guilds Service in St. Paul's Cathedral. This dates from World War Two and is an opportunity for the Lord Mayor, the Livery and other City institutions to give thanks and show off the pageantry that reminds us of our traditions and strengthens the bonds between us. The evening before the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress hosted a splendid Dinner at the Mansion House.

The past couple of months have been so busy so it is difficult to know where to start and I have to be selective and group the events into four categories. First, to illustrate the friendships that have developed with other Masters over the year, is the Ironbridge weekend for Masters and their "other halves" attended by the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs at the beginning of June. Apart from a horrendous journey there due to problems on the motorways, it was a great weekend. The day spent on a whistle-stop tour of some of the

museums on site was tiring but certainly encourages a longer stay to visit the Blists Hill Victorian village, the Coalport Museum and everything else. More particularly, the two evenings cement the social bonds that have grown up between the Masters and leads naturally into the formation of the Master's Association for the Year; our wives are also forming an association - perhaps unsurprisingly this year's groups will be known as the "Magna Masters" and the "Carta Consorts".

This has been a year of anniversaries and I was privileged to be able to attend the Magna Carta celebrations at Runnymede. A very early start meant that I provided myself with rain gear rather than a sun hat which would have been more useful. Caroline and I were both invited to the Innholders' Dinner at Guildhall to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of their Charter and to the Plumbers' service at Temple Church as part of their 650th - we anticipate that Past Master Erica Stary will take office as their Master later this year and hope that her year will be enjoyable. Rather unexpectedly, I found that I was invited on the evening of our Civic and Charities lunch to celebrate the London Mathematical Society's 150th Anniversary at Goldsmiths' Hall together with the Masters of the other Liveries considered to be numerate!

One of the most satisfying pleasures of a Master's year is the opportunity to see the impact of the City's charitable giving, such as the annual trip to Treloars in Hampshire, a school and college for the seriously disabled. Founded by a previous Lord Mayor, the Lord Mayor and Livery

Masters are overwhelmed each year by the incredible work that Treloars undertakes for its pupils and the fantastic difference it makes to the quality of their lives.

Yet another privilege is to be more involved with our service affiliations. I am looking forward to visiting this year's Army Cadet Camp in September, having attended last year's in Norfolk. Caroline and I along with Paul and Rosemary Herbage were invited to a 101 Squadron Dinner at the end of June and had a most enjoyable evening. The camaraderie and humour of the services are coupled with a clear sense of purpose. Wing Commander Ronnie Trasler has clearly led his command well. We wish him every success in his new posting.

Finally, as I write this, I am looking forward to rounding off my year as Master with the Master's Day in Lille in early September and seeing as many of you as possible there.

Michael Godbee
Master

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Civic and Charities' Lunch 18th June 2015

OUR CIVIC AND CHARITIES LUNCH was most fortuitously held on the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo on HQS Wellington. Unsurprisingly the caterers insisted on an appropriate menu – Beef Wellington rather than the 1815 Army rations suggested by our Renter Warden. Fortunately Kevin redeemed himself at the Court meeting which preceded lunch by not only getting the names of all the Court members present correctly (without hesitation, repetition or deviation) when introducing them to our new Honorary Liveryman but also, having spotted his reflection in the door, introducing new Honorary Liveryman Paul Herbage to the Clerk!

We were delighted that Anton Conibert of the Westminster St John Ambulance Cadet Unit had won not only the District Cadet of the Year award (reported on in the Charity Supplement to edition 11 of the Owl) but, also, the London and the National awards and I was delighted to present him with the Company's Award. Anton amply demonstrated why he had been honoured by performing CPR on a jogger who had collapsed on the Embankment near the gangway to HQS Wellington and stabilising his condition



The Master presents Anton Conibert with the Company Award Photo: Michael O'Sullivan

until the Ambulance Service arrived; thereby saving his life.

We were also pleased to present an award to the 101 Squadron annual winner Sergeant and our annual cheques to our tax charities, to the Army Cadet force and to the Lord Mayor's Appeal and Mansion House Scholarship Fund. We also support the Hackney Carriage Drivers who take disabled children to Disneyland Paris each year; their Master, Malcolm Paice responded with thanks from all of the guests.

We were delighted to host one of the first functions attended by the new Master Security Professionals, Stuart Seymour. Over the years we have grown closer to many other Liveries, to our charities and to our service and other affiliations. It was therefore not surprising that the lunch had almost a family atmosphere – it was certainly much enjoyed by all those attending.

Michael Godbee Master

HMS Bangor Deployed to the Gulf

HMS BANGOR HAS BEGUN HER deployment to the Gulf, once there she will be based in Bahrain for 3 - 4 years, with a different Crew manning and operating the ship for 6 months at a time. Her Captain, Lt-Cdr Mike Carter-Quinn, has sent a note describing the build-up to and initial stages of Bangor's ongoing successful contribution to protecting British interests worldwide.

The UK keeps 4 minehunters permanently based in the Gulf – The early part of 2015 saw Bangor preparing for the 7-week transit to Bahrain to begin her deployment there. This period is busy and demanding, to ensure that the Ship is in the best possible material state and prepared for 6 months away from the UK. Central to these preparations is Operational Sea Training (OST), a progressive package of training and assessment under the gaze of the Flag

Officer Sea Training (FOST) Staff that ranges from basic sea safety – man overboard, dealing with fires and floods etc – and checking that our admin is in order to ramping up to an operational scenario which tests the ship in all aspects whilst she conducts mine-hunting tasks. This includes undergoing simulated attacks by small vessels and aircraft, dealing with significant damage, conducting rescue and salvage of a stricken vessel, establishing the extent of mine-fields, disposing of mines and more. The team work 6 hours on, 6 hours off and it is stressful and tiring. I'm pleased to say that we did well, achieving a 'Satisfactory' assessment across the board, with the logisticians and divers achieving an even more commendable 'Very Satisfactory' assessment.

Immediately after Operational Sea Training we joined up with 3 other UK and 2 French vessels to participate in Exercise JOINT WARRIOR, the largest naval

exercise in Europe comprising 5 separate Task Groups of vessels with participants from across NATO. Our group sailed up the west coast of Scotland conducting survey ops and mine-hunting. As well as dealing with the complexities of working for a full, deployed Command Chain and alongside the full range of naval vessels, including the helicopter carrier HMS Ocean, we also faced threats from air attack and swarms of fast attack boats. It was both fantastic training and great fun, albeit a very tough period.

Return for repairs

Sadly, a major sonar defect necessitated an early return to Faslane for repairs. These took over two weeks and further time was needed for testing in addition to completing pre-deployment tasks. A combination of hard work and good fortune enabled us to deploy on Monday 1st June. We had to conduct a live firing of the 'Seafox' mine disposal system before

we left the UK, which held us in the Clyde Approaches for 72 hours after sailing and meant that we did not have the time to make our hoped for visit to Bangor before sailing for a brief visit to Porto for refuelling and an evening ashore

Our next call was at Gibraltar where we were very warmly welcomed and enjoyed two days off for some rest and relaxation. The visit coincided with the Duke of Edinburgh's birthday and Her Majesty the Queen's Official Birthday, with Bangor being dressed overall to mark both occasions. The subsequent transit through the Mediterranean saw Bangor supporting the long-standing Operation Active Endeavour, the NATO mission to provide ongoing maritime security and reassurance to those on the high seas across the Mediterranean, and focussing on internal training and preparations for passing through areas of higher threat. A 4-day visit to Valletta, Malta proved to be a real highlight, from the entrance to the spectacular Grand Harbour, to sightseeing in the historic city and enjoying the local nightlife.

The next destination was the NATO berth in Souda Bay, Crete, for a 5 day series of equipment tests in readiness for the operational theatre. Maritime security and internal training continued as we headed towards Crete, but calmer seas and great weather allowed the Ship's Company to enjoy a fine naval tradition – 'Hands to Bathe'. The Ship stopped in the water and shut down, allowing the team to jump into the sea and the brave

ones to show off their diving skills. It provided a welcome break from the hot Mediterranean sun and the daily working routine, as well as a memorable moment for all.

Visiting Cyprus

After proving our sensors and mine-hunting capabilities in Souda Bay, we visited Limassol, Cyprus for checks on the propulsion systems, generators and air conditioning plants and a check by the divers on the hull. The team enjoyed a few days seeing Cyprus, enjoying the nightlife and using the facilities at RAF Akrotiri, including a fantastic open-air karting track.

Bangor then received an unexpected direction to make a 2-day visit to the port city of Alexandria, the first visit by a Royal navy warship in almost 6 years, allowing us to renew our long-standing friendship with the Egyptian Navy. Bangor was met by an Egyptian warship on arrival and welcomed alongside by a large party of Egyptian Naval staff, the UK's Defence Attaché and a television crew. The CO was invited to lay a wreath at the city's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier accompanied by 10 Senior and Junior Ratings, all in best Number 1 uniform. The occasion was hosted by an Egyptian Navy Commodore with a guard and band of 30 sailors.

A number of Egyptian Naval Officers from their Mine-Warfare Brigade toured the ship and in the evening the CO hosted a number of naval and civilian guests and the Defence Attaché for an 'Iftar' meal,

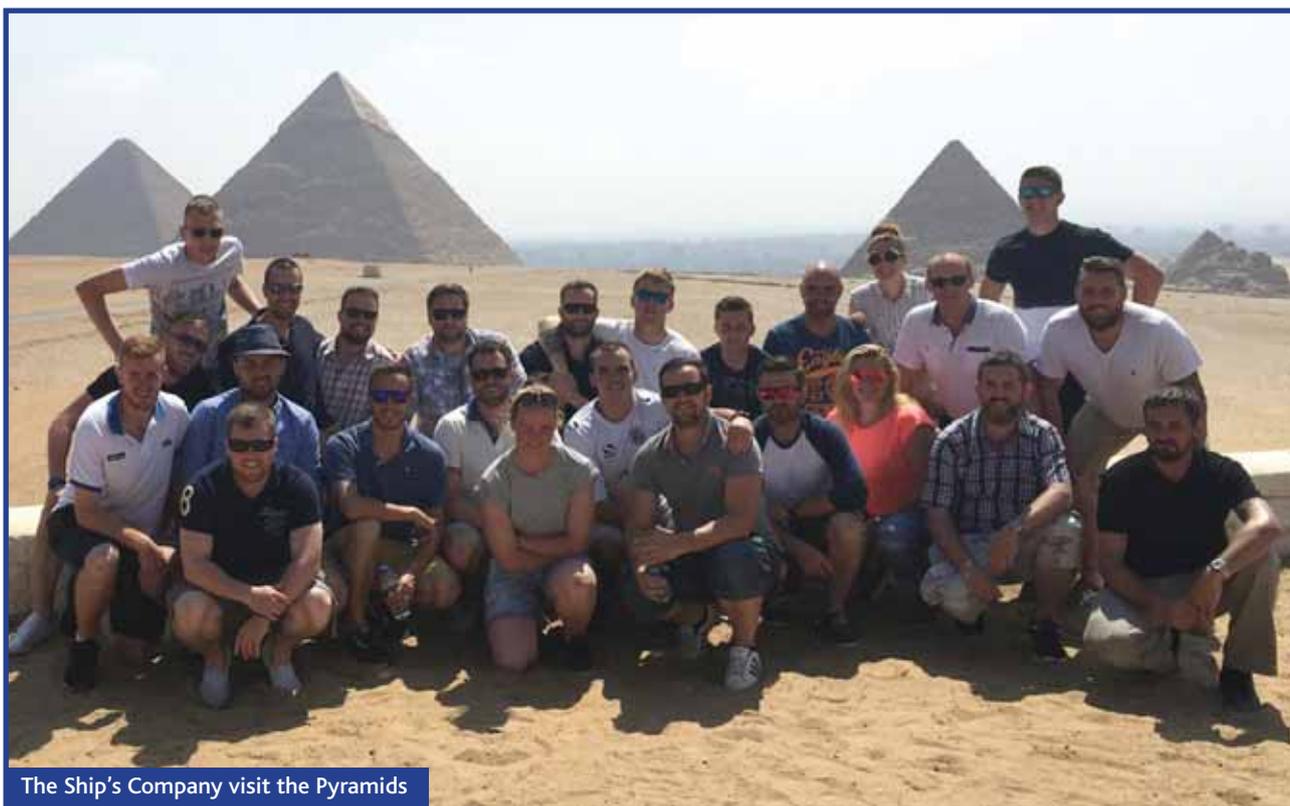
the traditional meal served at the end of the day of fasting during Ramadan. The chefs cooked up a fantastic 5-course feast and the evening proved to be an excellent way of marking our ongoing friendship with our Egyptian counterparts and thanking them for a very warm welcome. The following day almost all the Ship's Company enjoyed a trip to the Pyramids at Giza; a fantastic day and a great highlight of the trip so far.

The Suez Canal

On departing from Alexandria, Bangor made an uneventful transit south through the Suez Canal. The Ship's Company focus shifted to the increasing threats present in the region and to working with our new Command chain based in Bahrain. The forthcoming period will doubtless be as interesting and challenging as our journey out through the Mediterranean, albeit with a much more operational focus and with HMS Bangor playing her part in a much larger, multi-national coalition effort in the Gulf and broader Middle east region.

Suffice to say that Bangor and her Ship's Company, Crew 8, are doing you all proud and we continue to be most grateful for your ongoing support. There will be more progress reports in due course but in the meantime we send our very best wishes to The Worshipful Company of Tax Advisers.

Mike Carter Quinn



The Ship's Company visit the Pyramids

Creating a new fiscal constitution in postwar Japan

IN THE LATEST TAX HISTORY TALK, Professor Martin Daunton from the University of Cambridge addressed the subject of how the Japanese tax system was reformed following World War II. This restructuring has been described as “the most dramatic tax reform programme ever launched in a modern industrial nation ...” In his talk, Professor Daunton combined the economic and fiscal history of Japan in the late 1940s, with the story of two experts dealing with the same problem.

After the end of the war, Japan was facing very high inflation, and had to be rebuilt following the Allied attacks on key cities. The occupying American forces, under General MacArthur, were faced with reshaping Japanese society to create a stable democracy, whilst removing the origins of militarism, and tax was an important aspect of this. However, instead

of a single united approach, President Truman and General MacArthur each appointed their own advisers to address the problem.

Truman’s appointment as economic adviser to the Japanese stabilisation programme was Joseph Dodge, a banker. Dodge’s proposals, known as the “Dodge line” included stimulating exports and reducing spending, introducing a single exchange rate for the Yen, and imposing fiscal austerity. This approach, which was not sympathetic to local circumstances, was based on the premise that Japan could not be reconstructed “without suffering”.

MacArthur invited Carl Shoup, an academic, to lead a mission to reform the Japanese tax system. Shoup, who is credited as the father of value added tax, was more sensitive to local conditions. In essence, he proposed broadening and democratising what had been an autocratic state, as well as encouraging



Photo: James Dixon

responsible behaviour by bringing more people into contact with the state, through income tax.

Overall neither approach prevailed, and features of both proposals were adopted, which was good for Japan initially, although less so in the longer term. What was perhaps most striking was the uncoordinated approach adopted by the US – although as Professor Daunton explained, this was not without historical precedent.

Caroline Turnbull-Hall

History of Tax Display Cabinet



Photo: James Dixon

THE DANIELS DISPLAY CABINET at the Chartered Institute of Taxation in Artillery Row, given in honour of former Institute President Keith Daniels, was first unveiled in June 2011 with a display from the bequest of John Jeffrey-Cook showcasing Tax Through the Ages. The display was refreshed in December 2014 by Court Assistant Morag Loader and Liveryman James Dixon. The latest display is entitled War and Peace. The left hand side of the cabinet represents War and shows artefacts from the First World War and the Second World War.

The First World War exhibits are the Company’s contribution to the Centenary of The Great War. The right hand side of the cabinet represents Peace and alludes to peacetime activities such as trade, household affairs, leisure activities and the activities of the Chartered Institute of Taxation.

Do take a look next time you are in Artillery Row.

Morag Loader

WE CONGRATULATE ALBERT WHITING a former and very early member [no. 34] of the

Guild and Company, admitted to the Livery in March 2006, on the award of an M.B.E. in this year's New Year's Honours List. This award recognised 40 years of service to the community in North Tyneside and of charitable service both in this country and abroad.

Albert, who lives in Whitley Bay, served as a District Councillor, was a founder of Sunderland Sports Council and Sunderland Sports Fund, a charitable fund which raises money to provide financial aid for the City's talented young sports people; a volunteer and fundraiser for 25 years for St Oswald's Hospice in Gosforth and, until his retirement from the organisation 5 years ago, an active Rotarian, receiving the highest award to an individual from Rotary International in India for his long-term work supporting the poor and disadvantaged in the sub-Continent.

Angels of the North

"Angels of The North" is Albert's main charity involvement today. During his professional career he travelled widely in the developing world and witnessed poverty and deprivation at first hand. This sparked the idea of "Angels of The North" as an umbrella body to support a range of charitable initiatives which it

Albert Whiting M.B.E.

now does both abroad and at home. The broad aim of the charity is to advance the common good through mobilising and equipping individuals and groups for voluntary action and charitable giving. The charity's trustees come from a range of ethnic backgrounds, between them speaking 14 languages. This enables them to get "on the ground" quickly to ascertain what help is needed. They have supported 107 causes in the last 10 years including projects in Albania, Romania, Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, Uzbekistan, India, Pakistan and Nepal. They have been using their UK depot to pack and dispatch clothes urgently needed by people rendered homeless by the recent earthquake.

Active in the UK

The charity is also active in supporting UK projects, such as one to send children with cerebral palsy to the United States for specialist treatment and to provide after-care on their return. It provides clothing, energy saving devices, crockery and cleaning items, which it obtains free of charge from manufacturers and

wholesalers, to needy families in the North East.

Another aspect of the work of Angels of The North with which Albert is closely involved is providing financial and other strategic support to smaller charities whose trustees lack the appropriate skills.

They also arrange exchange visits for children to learn something of other cultures. Recently a party of 10 to 12 year olds from Tamil Nadhu were brought to this country and British youngsters travelled to India.

Albert is actively engaged in fund-raising for these activities; these include concerts given by local children at the Sage, Gateshead, the Royal Albert Hall, Disneyland, Paris and Times Square, New York.

Asked for his views on the value of the work done by Angels of The North and its volunteers and supporters, Albert said one thing that stood out to him was that he had seen "how small things, such as the vaccination programmes they have supported in Nigeria, Pakistan and elsewhere, have made great differences over time."

Further details of the work of Angels of The North can be found on their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/pages/Angels-of-the-North/835116086522073?sk=info&tab=page_info



Social Events

On a cold January evening intrepid members and their guests set out to explore some less well known wines. Hosted at El Vino's, London Wall, we were given a tutored tasting of wines made from some of the more unusual grape varieties, or in regions of the World not previously known for their wines but now getting bolder and better. Our voyage of discovery began with a champagne style aperitif, took in six other wines and concluded in traditional fashion with port. Fortunately for our sobriety, we were also provided with a substantial and very tasty buffet supper. This highly convivial evening was enjoyed by all and it was with great reluctance that we eventually dragged ourselves back into the cold winter night to head home.

On 2nd February 2015 WCOTA were thrilled to return to the Guild of Scriveners of York Quiz Night; a delightful evening held at York Rugby Club where the beer is an excellent accompaniment to pie, chips and peas - salmon for the vegetarians! The one hundred questions covered an enormous variety of topics including knowledge of the city of York - a challenge for those of us who do not live there! In a nail-biting finish, our team Overtaxed retained the trophy after tying on the quiz itself with a York team captained by our own Court Assistant Jean Jesty and tying again on the tiebreaker. We are happy to retain the trophy and will of course return to defend it in 2016.

Our team this year consisted of Sue Christensen, Ian Christensen, Past Master Peter Gravestock and Ian Somerville. Our second team, who finished in the middle of the field, were Past Master Iain Stitt and Barbara Stitt, Cynthia Gravestock and Mary Somerville.

Pancake Race

Tax Advisers again had a team in the 11th Inter-Livery Pancake Race in Guildhall Yard on Shrove Tuesday. The four categories of runners - Masters, Liverymen, Ladies and a "novelty" have to wear appropriate attire, including gowns for the Master and Liverymen, topped off with a chef's toque, and run the course, heats and a final for each category, while carrying a frying pan with a pancake that has to be tossed at set points. This makes the event a very popular, if somewhat bemusing, spectacle

for tourists.

A highlight of the Master's year is that the Master has no choice but to run. Renter Warden Kevin Thomas ran as Liveryman for the fifth year running, Liveryman Victoria Lloyd was entered for the Ladies' Race and Past Master Erica Stary competed in the novelty race - which involved dressing up to represent one of the Lord Mayor's chosen charities.

The Company team recorded the best results yet in this event. The Master and Past Master Stary were narrowly beaten in their heats, but both Kevin Thomas and Victoria Lloyd successfully made it through to their final races only to be beaten into second place in the finals, just missing out on any honours!

The Event finished with a buffet lunch in Guildhall Crypt complete, of course, with pancakes.

Blue Badge guide

On a lovely May evening members of the Company joined a Blue Badge guide for a City Walk around Medieval and Tudor London including some of the ancient Livery Company Halls, aspects of Shakespeare's City, the City's early 'publishing' trade and some of the important characters from the recent Wolf



Hall TV series. Starting at Blackfriars, near where a previously unnoticed roundel of Tudor monarch Edward VI can be seen, our guide was able to share some of London's hidden nooks and crannies, and for us, previously undiscovered gems. The walkers were refreshed by a very convivial supper at El Vinos in the Barbican.

Following the long established Livery custom of regularly commencing new "traditions," the inaugural Brigantes Breakfast was held on 29th May at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, famed for the meeting between Mr Rolls and Mr Royce which launched the luxury motor marque. (Editorial clarification: this was actually a lunch held at the time that Mancunians call "dinner time").

Some 1200 Liverymen live in the area occupied in pre-Roman times by the Brigantes tribe; nowadays known as Northern England. Three senior (and Northern) Liverymen - the late Sheriff and Past Master Actuary Adrian Waddingham CBE (Lancashire), the Immediate Past Master Actuary Charles Cowling (Lancashire) and the current Master Baker David Bentley (Yorkshire) proposed an initiative to redress the difficulties that some may have in attending City-based events and to engage them more closely with the Livery. Their idea of the "Brigantes" was fully supported by the Lord Mayor and his predecessor and was launched at the Breakfast.

Breakfast in the North

Brigantes was enthusiastically welcomed by northern Liverymen and some 230 of them and their guests attended the Breakfast which was chaired by Adrian Waddingham. Recognising that Hadrian's Wall, on the northern edge of the Brigantes tribal area, served to collect taxes on goods moving through it, Tax Advisers were well represented, filling a table of 10. As befits a northern event the Breakfast proved very convivial, with excellent food and wines, and we were entertained with speeches by Alderman Sir David Wootton, David Bentley and our own Past Master Nicholas Woolf, deputising for the Late Lord Mayor. There was also surprise entertainment from "members of the waiting staff" who regaled us with a selection of songs from opera and musicals.

This event proved so popular that arrangements have already been made for a visit to Ripon Cathedral for a Carol Service on 5th December and for next year's Breakfast which will be on 20th May, 2016 in Sheffield. Any potential Brigante (the boundaries of the tribal area are very loosely defined and tribal "affiliates" with addresses as far flung as



Scotland and Kent were spotted at the event) who wishes to be kept informed of future meetings should contact Court Assistant Sue Christensen

The City & Guilds Art School

A group of Tax Advisers visited the Graduate Show of The City & Guilds Art School in Kennington in late June. The School, ranked in the top three UK

Art Schools, was founded by the City & Guilds of London Institute in 1879 and maintains close links with the City and the Livery. After an introduction from the School's Vice-Principal, we were guided round the exhibitions of Fine Art Painting and Sculpture, Historic Wood and Stone Carving and Conservation by student ambassadors from the

different Departments who told us about their courses and the external projects with which they had been involved. This most interesting visit concluded with refreshments in the School's Garden surrounded by works of sculpture, both old and new.

Contributors; Sue Christensen, James Dixon, Morag Loader, Ian Somerville and Kevin Thomas.

Lord Mayors' Portraits – *Dame Mary Donaldson to Dame Fiona Woolf*

Dame Mary Donaldson was the 656th Lord Mayor and our Honorary Liveryman Dame Fiona Woolf was the 686th. By coincidence, both had their portraits as Lord Mayor painted by Richard Stone. This new City book explores the tradition of commissioning portraits of Lord Mayors, looks at the variety of resulting portraits, with comments from some of the artists, and talks about each of their time in office with portraits from 1983 – 2013. The book was created by Past Master Nicholas Woolf, Robert Woolf and Alexandra Epps and copies are available price £12 + £2.50 p&p from nicholas.woolf@btinternet.com

A VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

The First Aid Nursing Yeomanry, FANY, the Princess Royal's Volunteer Corps, are a thriving organisation that offers fulfilling and rewarding volunteering opportunities. Founded in 1907, they provide support to the civil and military authorities in London during major incidents. The members are resourceful women from all walks of life aiming to be of service in whatever capacity is asked of them. The FANY have a long association with many Livery companies and would welcome into their ranks Liverymen who are female British citizens aged between 18 and 45. For more details visit www.fany.org.uk



Diary 2015/16

Company events

2015

3rd November	Company Committees
17th November	Visit to BBC
1st December	Visit to Dennis Severs House
15th December	Carol Service followed by Supper at Haberdashers' Hall

2016

2nd February	Company Committees
9th February	History of Tax Meeting – "Cornish Taxation"
February (tbc)	Visit to Kew Orchid Festival
27th February	Birmingham Ballet
1 or 2 March (tbc)	Budget Banquet

Livery events

2015

14th November	Lord Mayor's Show
23rd November	City Briefing
1st December	Red Cross Fair at Guildhall
5th December	Brigantes visit to Ripon Cathedral Carol Concert

2016

9th February	City Briefing
11th March	United Guilds Service at St Paul's

Inter-Livery Competitions

2016

22nd - 23rd January	Inter-Livery Skiing Competition, Morzine, France
1st February	Guild of Scriveners of York Quiz Night
9th February	Pancake Races, Guildhall Yard
7th March	Inter-Livery Bridge Competition, Drapers' Hall

CIOT and ATT Events

2016

12th January	CIOT President's Luncheon
7th April	ATT President's Reception

IN MEMORIAM

The Company is saddened to report the deaths of The Rt Hon The Lord HOWE of ABERAVON, Honorary Liveryman, 1926 – 2015, James Francis BULLOCK, Liveryman, 1968 – 2015 and Mrs Valerie MADDOCKS, one of our earliest Companions and widow of our first Beadle, Vic Maddocks.

ADMISSIONS & ADVANCEMENTS

We offer our congratulations to the following Freeman who was advanced to Liveryman status:

March 2015

Samuel James RIPPON

We especially welcome as an Honorary Liveryman:

June 2015

Paul David HERBAGE MBE, CstJ

This rare honour was accorded to Paul, who is pictured signing the Roll of Liverymen, in recognition of his service to the Company since his appointment as Clerk.



CONGRATULATIONS

We offer congratulations to:

Our Honorary Liveryman Alderman Fiona Woolf, who was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire [DBE] for her services to the City and Legal Profession; to Group Capt. Steve Lushington, RAF, a Companion of the Company, and former CO of 101 Squadron RAF, who was made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire [CBE] in the Military Division and to Retired Liveryman Albert Whiting, who was made a Member of the Order of the British Empire [MBE] for his charitable and voluntary work in North Tyneside.

We also congratulate:

Past Master Erica Stary, who has been elected Master of The Plumbers' Company; Freeman David Scorey, who has been appointed Queen's Counsel, and our Honorary Chaplain Dr. Martin Dudley on the 20th Anniversary of his appointment as Rector of St. Bartholomew the Great.

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