

# *The Worshipful Company of Tax Advisers*

## *Clerk's Bulletin – June 2017*

### *Dear Liverymen, Freeman & Companions*

This is a short Bulletin accompanying the Master's Summer letter to members following our Civic & Charities Luncheon at Girdlers' Hall, in the heat last Monday. I hope those of you who were there enjoyed the Reception in that charming little garden. We were indeed very fortunate in securing the Hall's use.

#### **Quarterage for 2017 – 2018**

Just a reminder that for those of you who pay your Quarterage by Direct Debit the payments due for our new year which commences in July will shortly be collected from your bank accounts. By way of a reminder the Full Rate (payable by most members) for 2017-18 is **£250** and the reduced rate payable by members living overseas or under the age of 40 year **£125**.

#### **Election of Officers for 2017 -2018**

At the Court meeting held before our Luncheon the following were elected for the various Company positions year commencing 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

Master – Mrs Morag Loader

Upper Warden – Marcus Fincham

Middle Warden – Paul Morton

Renter Warden – Mrs Sue Christensen

You will also know from the Master's letter that I will be retiring as your Clerk in September. I am pleased report the Court formally appointed Stephen Henderson our current Beadle to succeed me and to take office on 21<sup>st</sup> September. This of course creates a vacancy for a Beadle for next year and steps are already in hand to recruit a successor.

#### **Dates for your diary –**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Company Committees** at Information Technologists' Hall

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September – Annual Company Service at St Andrew by the Wardrobe Church followed by Installation Dinner at Vintners' Hall** (full information in flyer)

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Common Hall for Election of Lord Mayor followed by Luncheon at Founders' Hall**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Lord Mayor's Show**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Company Committees** at Information Technologists' Hall

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Service at St Bartholomew the Great** followed by Seasonal Supper at Haberdashers' Hall

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 - Company Committees** at Information Technologists' Hall

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March – Budget Banquet at Merchant Taylors'**

**Progression to the Livery** – in my last Bulletin I reminded Freeman wishing to advance to the Livery of the need to obtain their City Freedom by making direct arrangements with the Office of the Chamberlain's Court at Guildhall. May I just clarify however that in addition to obtaining your City Freedom, the Court do expect Freeman to have been a member of the company for at least a year, shown some commitment by attending functions or events and be a contributor to one of the Company's charities before being able to support requests for advancement. If you have any questions on this point please don't hesitate to ask.

**Merchandise – Company ties** Let me again apologise to those of you awaiting completion of your orders the delivery of a new stock of blue and maroon ties from an overseas manufacturer is still awaited. I very much hope these will arrive before the end of July at which point they will be forwarded. I would advise anyone thinking of ordering ties to positive await confirmation of their arrival before doing so.

**City Items – The City of London Freeman’s Guide, an A2 Poster Map of Livery Halls, and a new item a 250 piece wooden jigsaw of the Livery Halls map,** all produced by Paul Jagger, a Court Assistant of the Information Technologists’ are all available for purchase at I T Hall at the special prices of £12.50; £9; and £27.50 respectively.

**New Book,** - Richard Goddard, a Past Master Waterman & Lighterman, and Liveryman of the Wheelwrights, Shipwrights and Educators Companies who previously produced an illustrated book on Masters’ badges is about to release a new publication – *The Heraldry of the Livery Companies of the City of London (since 1954)*.

The Publishers are Phillimore Publications and it will be marketed at £50 per copy.

Contact [Richard.goddard41@gmail.com](mailto:Richard.goddard41@gmail.com) for more information. A special pre- publication price might just still be available if you order before 7<sup>th</sup> July.

## City News.

### City Briefings and other Courses

Dates for City Briefings over the next year have been announced as:-

Tuesday **10<sup>th</sup> October** 2017; Monday **6<sup>th</sup> November**; 2017; Weds **7<sup>th</sup> February 2018**; Monday **8<sup>th</sup> October 2018** and Tuesday **20<sup>th</sup> November 2018**. These are held in the Livery Hall at Guildhall from 5.30 – 7.30pm and cost £20. Places maybe booked online at [www.livercompanies.info](http://www.livercompanies.info)

**Events** – if you haven’t yet had a chance to visit it the special exhibition in the Guildhall Art Gallery *Echoes Across the Century* which features art work undertaken by school pupils who have worked with a number of Livery Companies in a Heritage Lottery Funded project on the First World War it really is worth a visit. It runs only until 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Other City News is published by means of a *Livery Briefing* issued by the Town Clerk’s Office on behalf of the Livery Committee roughly at two monthly intervals. The latest issued in May is accessible via the Company website.

### Where to eat in the City?

As Clerk, I am sometimes asked by members what opportunities exist for Liverymen / Freeman to dine informally in the City on a regular basis. May I remind you that:

**Ironmongers’ Hall** offer lunches on **Mondays** – contact [paulina.sowa@ironmongers.org](mailto:paulina.sowa@ironmongers.org) tel 0207 776 2302

**Watermen’s Hall** offers the **River Thames Luncheon Club monthly** on the following **Fridays** 14<sup>th</sup> July; 8<sup>th</sup> September; 13<sup>th</sup> October; 10<sup>th</sup> November; 15<sup>th</sup> December – contact [cookandbutler@btconnect.com](mailto:cookandbutler@btconnect.com) or 0207 620 1818

**The City Livery Club** offers a restaurant Mondays – Fridays (except August) to members & Guests at the Little Ship Club see the website [www.cityliveryclub.com](http://www.cityliveryclub.com) or 0207 248 2800. If you are interested in joining the Club do please contact me.

As this may well be my penultimate Briefing to you may I say how much I have enjoyed working with the Tax Advisers, and to thank you all for all the support you have shown me over the past thirteen and a half years during which we have progressed from Company without Livery, to full Livery status our own Royal Charter and a highly influential member of the Financial services Group of Livery Companies. I am not ceasing my involvement in the City however, as I am to be installed as the President of the City Livery Club on 24th October 2017. This will I am sure keep me in touch with many of you.

**Please note that the Clerk will be away from 4<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> July inclusive representing another Livery Company overseas. Emails and messages won’t routinely be attended to during this time.**

Finally, for those of you planning your summer vacations or just a short break from the routine your busy professional roles may I wish you well for the Summer. Warmest regards to you all,

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