

# COURT CIRCULAR

THE CHARTERED SURVEYORS' COMPANY

October 2003



## From the Master Elect

It is truly wonderful to receive your support and be afforded the opportunity of taking office as your new Master. I trust we shall all have another interesting and rewarding year, which will leave us all with happy memories and the sense of a job well done by friends working harmoniously together.

I start by paying tribute to the Past Master, George Gillon, for his colourful and most successful stewardship of our Company during the last twelve months. He has put his heart and soul into the organisation of functions and other events and has also successfully addressed many important managerial and administrative issues with great dedication, efficiency and tact. The warmth of the relationship between the Master, the Wardens, the Court and the livery has, in my judgement, been exceptional.

I now turn to more personal issues. My own childhood was spent in towns and villages along the Welsh Marches in a relaxed and delightful rural atmosphere where time stood still and the only change was the coming and going of the seasons.

Lord Bradford's Shropshire land agent, who was a friend of my father, encouraged my interest in surveying and I came to London as a student at the College of Estate Management then located in St Albans Grove, Kensington in 1961. My first employment started three years later when I joined the Estates Department of Legal and General on Queen Victoria Street in the City of London. I spent a very happy nine years in that office before moving on to Guardian Royal Exchange, which resulted in me working as a Head Office Manager in the Royal Exchange Building at the "Eye" of the City until 1985 when I took up my present appointment in Guildhall.

I shall have worked continuously in the City for forty years in July 2004. As one of the longest serving Chief Officers at Guildhall I, like the Past Master, have been directly involved with the governance of the City during a period of unprecedented change. This role has given me a real insight into its history and traditions and emphasised the huge importance of the longstanding and complex relationship between the Corporation of London and the livery movement.

Our own company has only been in existence for twenty seven years but still we have achieved much of which we can be proud. Many committed and able liverymen sit on our Court and working committees and thanks are due to them for their contribution. However long term success will elude us unless we continually introduce active new liverymen. Younger people and a greater proportion of women should be encouraged to join.

It is a challenge to decide how best to maintain ongoing interest in the Company. Your views are very important indeed, both to me personally and to the rest of the Court. Recently I have sought to meet a cross section of liverymen to informally discuss the Company's operations and to seek views as to how these could be extended and improved. This is something I intend to continue although diary pressures may inhibit my ability to see you all.

The delicate balance between continuity and change is recognised but many of you feel that each Master should introduce one or two new initiatives. Many liverymen have said they really appreciate the chance of involving relatives and friends so there is a greater feeling of community and family commitment.

Against this background I have proposed one or two changes in this year's events. For example a Carol Service will be held this Christmas, but not at St Lawrence Jewry. Instead on 18 December we shall go to the splendid Chapel of the Savoy located immediately to the north of the hotel bearing that name.

In addition I have organised a special four-day trip to Le Mans for the motor racing. Early indications suggest that this will be fully subscribed by the time this article is released.

For the ladies, the successful City Walks will be repeated with new itineraries. There is also a guided tour of the newly created and most impressive Wetland Centre in Barnes owned by the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust. The premises have been booked for our exclusive use on the evening of Friday 21 May 2004. There will be a guided tour followed by a reception and Dinner in the private dining room with magnificent views of the huge lakes. It should be a magical experience particularly if we get fine weather.

This year is unusual because Alderman Robert Finch, a liveryman of four Companies, including the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors, will be installed as Lord Mayor on Friday 7th November 2004. Naturally we shall offer him and the Lady Mayoress wholehearted support throughout the year. Arrangements are in place for liverymen and their guests to view the Lord Mayors Show. The Company will also be formally represented by the Master, the Clerk and various other liverymen and their ladies at the Presentation Dinner, the Silent Ceremony, the religious service at the Tower of London which follows the Silent Ceremony, the Lord Mayors Show, and the Lord Mayors Banquet. In accordance with tradition arrangements have also been made to present a gift on behalf of the Company to the new Lord Mayor at a ceremony in the new Art Gallery at Guildhall before the Lord Mayors Show. This is an engraved hand-bell, cast at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, standing on a smart wooden plinth.

Gill and I both send our very best wishes to you all at the beginning of the livery year and do hope that you will all endeavour to participate as fully as possible in the life of the Company during the next twelve months and bring your family and friends when encouraged to do so.

**Ted Hartill**  
The Master Elect



Ted Hartill.

## Events

Note these key events for your diary and apply quickly.

### 8 November 2003

Lord Mayors Show - Grandstand view and luncheon

### 26 November 2003

Guildhall School of Music and Drama - String Quartet Competition and Supper.

### 18 December 2003

Annual Carol Service at the Chapel of the Savoy followed by Reception.

### 26 January 2004

Court Ladies Dinner in the Lord Mayors and Sheriffs' Dining Room, Old Bailey.

### 17 March 2004

Spring Livery Dinner, Vintners' Hall

### 21 May 2004

Visit to the Wetland Centre, Barnes followed by Dinner.

### 11-14 June 2004

Visit to Le Mans for the 24-hour race.

### 7 July 2004

Election Court Luncheon, Bakers Hall.

### 11 October 2004

Installation Dinner.



George Gillon  
Master 2002/3.

## THE MASTER'S REPORT

As they near the end of their year of office, all Masters must be full of mixed feelings – I am no exception!

I have been honoured to be your Master and to have represented the Company so widely in the community since last October - on almost 100 occasions by the time you read this - in addition to participating in all our committees and Court meetings. But as a Past Master told me at the start "It will all flash by and it is only your ten seconds of fame on the stage in the wider context! And it is now time for the new cast to take over.

In the course of the year you have had two detailed reports from me on Company activity and I will not repeat what has already been said. In this issue of the Court Circular there are reports on many of our activities and I will highlight some key aspects as I see them, the high points for me and some thoughts for the future.

### Chartered Surveyors' Training Trust

20 years ago Past Master Professor Alan Gillett had the idea of setting up the Training Trust through which many hundreds of young people have now found a way into our profession. For many years we have benefited from the services of Pipyn Trustram Eve who stood down from the position of Chief Executive this year. We owe Pipyn a great debt of gratitude and are very pleased that she has said she is willing to support our Schools initiative through our Education Committee.

The new manager is Kevin Drugan and two new Governors are Richard Carter and Neil Pickering.

### The Armed Services

Following our long relationship with HMS Herald of the Hydrographic Squadron, our new adopted vessel, HMS Echo was commissioned at Devonport in May – a real highlight for us. We look forward to having the same close relationship with Commander Martin Jones and his crew as we did with the officers and men of Herald.

At 135 Independent Geographic Squadron, which I visited three times this year, Major Peter Fisk has now handed over command to Major Amanda Shell.

At 7010 Squadron, Sue Roberts, the Officer Commanding was awarded the MBE in January and was subsequently promoted from Squadron Leader to Wing Commander in command of all three Royal Auxiliary Air Force Intelligence Squadrons. And we are particularly proud of the appointment of our very own Past Master Delva Patman last November as Honorary Air Commodore of 7010 (VR) Photographic Interpretation Squadron.

### New Liverymen and Court Assistants

We have admitted a number of new Liverymen this year - Robert Brock, Ramsay Mason, Peter Dove, James Bowdidge, Michael Strong, Tony Joyce, Anthony Butler, Bill MacLeod, Paul Abrey, Mark Boor, Marion Weatherhead, Keith Thompson, Simon Farrant, Guy Leonard, and Robert Stiles. I expect three or four other new Liverymen to be admitted on October 13 at the Installation Court.

William Hill and Daniel Carter have been elected as Members of the Court.

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Sadly, in the course of the year we lost John Thomas, Jim Hillier, John Addelsee and Stuart Sisterson to whose families I sent condolences on your behalf.

### Initiatives Old & New

One of the great strengths of our relatively young company is the number of established initiatives taken by previous Masters which continue to flourish. Our Seminar on the City in February of this year was as successful as ever with now over 650 property people benefiting from this first class course. The PAMADA Awards for excellence in property marketing, now in their 13th year, had over 450 entries this year. This idea, conceived by Past Master Anthony Bull, has contributed substantially to the company's charitable funds. Anthony has stood down as secretary to the PAMADA Awards and I was able to thank him publicly at this year's ceremony.



Past Master Anthony Bull and Judith Egan, PAMADA organiser.

In December, a wonderful Carol Service was held in St Lawrence Jewry with Clifford Dann, the RICS Singers, together with a harpist and soloist.

Other regular events, mentioned elsewhere in this circular, include the String Quartet competition held at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama; the Swimathon held at the RAC Club, Epsom (this year's was the biggest we have held); the Company fishing day organised by Past Master Michael Baker and David Marsh; and our visit to Ironbridge, where a band of members and wives had a great weekend hosted on the Saturday by Past Master Gillett and at which I unveiled a plaque listing the donors and presented our Coat of Arms to the Trust. What an inspiration our colleagues had back in 1991 to build the Estate Office there: 50,000 schoolchildren a year visit the site and we have a great chance to tell them about us and surveying as a career.

Liverymen have participated in numerous other sporting events including the Company shooting day and the inter-livery golf and tennis days.

We have new initiatives, too this year - particularly on the charitable front on which Roger Fidgen, Chairman of the Charitable Trust has written some paragraphs elsewhere.

These add to the many other regular worthy causes to which we contribute as a result of the generosity of many of our Liverymen. And whilst the new drive to increase our charitable giving has produced an increase in income I would remind those of you who have not addressed this either by annual gift aid, single donations or by legacy to give this some serious thought.

### The Past Masters

Congratulations to Past Master Robin Broadhurst awarded the CBE in the New Year's Honours List. Robin is the most senior Past Master on the Court but steps down at our October installation meeting after five years to take his place "on the sofa" - as it is known - with other eminent Past Masters.

It has been of considerable value to me to have had the benefit of guidance from several Past Masters. We should all be grateful to them for their continued interest and enthusiasm for the Company and the support that they give.

### HOW WAS IT FOR ME?

I will have, of course, many lasting impressions of my year, not least the awareness that we are just a part of the wider Livery movement - 40,000 Liverymen and Freemen - who voluntarily give their time to help in the charitable and educational field raising last year over £40 m for worthy causes.

A bonus is how well known and regarded our relatively young company is. We are clearly seen to be an example and this was undoubtedly helped by the raised profile which Past Master Michael Baker helped create in our 25th year last year.

Having the opportunity to visit our Armed Service Units has been important for me: there is absolutely no doubt how much they value our association with us and the interest which we take in them. The two volunteer reserve units, 7010 RAF and 135 Geographic from January 2003 onwards have been heavily involved in the Gulf operations and either I, or our "liaison officer" Delva, were able to meet



Lord Mayor, Lady Mayoress, Sheriff and Mrs Brewer with the Master, Wardens and Ladies before the April lunch.



Robin Broadhurst CBE.

many of the folk prior to their departure to the Iraq theatre. These visits, coupled with dinner on board the new HMS Echo and our day as guests at her Commissioning Ceremony in Devonport were real highlights.

So was the honour of processing gowned and badged in Guildhall at the Lord Mayor's Banquet last November and in St Paul's and Westminster Cathedrals on several occasions.

The wonderful atmosphere of Fishmonger's Hall at the Installation dinner and the fun we had at our first West End evening with our partners in the Caledonian Club were unforgettable occasions. I know from the Caledonian Club evening, the dinner in the Guildhall Art Gallery in January, the two visits to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry and our musical evening at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew the Great, how much wives, husbands and partners like to be involved in company events and I think this is a clear message for the future.



Briefcase Awards.

On the educational side we were complimented by the Lord Mayor in his speech at our April luncheon on our initiatives with schools in less fortunate Boroughs, a project which I keenly support. And I enjoyed speaking to many second or third year Land Economy or Estate Management students and presenting prizes at Cambridge, Cirencester, Reading, Aberdeen Universities and in London.

Perhaps the event by which I was most moved in the year, however, was my visit with other Masters and the Lord Mayor to Treloar's School at Alton in February. The courage of bright young people with severe physical disabilities, the professionalism and commitment of the carers, tutors and all the staff had a profound effect on me and reminded me how important it is for us to help those less fortunate than ourselves in every way.

### A FEW FINAL THOUGHTS

As Master Elect, I pledged that we would undertake many of the initiatives to which I have just referred. I also said

that we would maintain my predecessors' efforts to make chartered surveyors aware of the Livery and encourage members to introduce new Liverymen. There are a number of good people coming in to the Company but we need more to maintain our numbers. Past Master Baker is continuing with his initiative to consider a new "Freedom" category to that end.

Through our improved database, recording which Liverymen are involved in what events, we have a much better opportunity of shaping the year to suit everyone. I have tried hard to make the choice of events this year attractive to a wider audience. This seems to have worked in that we have had the benefit of seeing Liverymen, some from far afield, whom we have seen less often in the past. However it seems to me that there are a number of "virtual" Liverymen who joined the Company, many in quite recent years, but who either choose not, or are unable, to take part in our activities. I would like to encourage them to do so as they will find it rewarding.

On the other hand, at the risk of embarrassing him, I would like to highlight Liveryman John Kirk and his wife Beryl whom I have seen at every single function this year and indeed over the last few years; they are real stalwarts and it was good that they could join our small group at dinner at Ironbridge this month.

We have a first class Court of Assistants and Committee Chairmen without whom my job would have been impossible. I would like to pay particular tribute to Amanda Jackson for all the help she has given me through the year. The mind boggles at how many letters, telephone calls and emails we have exchanged in the last twelve months! Thank you all for your support and to Laurence Johnstone who has had the thankless, but voluntary, task of putting this 2003 Court Circular together.

To the Master Elect, Ted Hartill, we owe a particular debt of gratitude for his application to streamlining our administrative and financial affairs in his two year term as Chairman of Finance and General Purposes and to Terry Knight as Senior Warden Elect. We have been a good team together. I wish them and Junior Warden Elect Brian Lamden and their ladies as wonderful a year as I have had - you will be in good hands!

Long may our Company flourish - Root and Branch!

**George Gillon**  
**Master 2002/2003**



Jubilee Sailing Trust – Lord Nelson.

## THE INSTALLATION DINNER 15 OCTOBER 2002

There was a definite Scottish theme to the Installation Dinner held in October 2002 which was held in the Fishmongers' Hall on a damp autumnal evening. We filed passed pictures of large, unknown fish to attend Common Hall in the main Court Room with its wonderful view across the river. The evening was highly convivial with the added colour of Doggetts Coat and Badgemen plus a touch of tartan from our newly installed Master.

Joined by our guests, we enjoyed a delicious dinner in the main hall of marinated salmon (appropriately) and supreme of guinea fowl. The principal guest and speaker was Alderman Sir Brian Jenkins who noted that his own company, The Chartered Accountants' Company, is younger than ours. Sir Brian was highly complimentary on our progress over our first 25 years.

After dinner we were entertained by Pipe Major Ian King who, for the first time, played the pipe tune "The Chartered Surveyors' Company" which had been especially composed for the Company. A 'wee dram' was served to complete the Scottish theme and a wonderful evening for all of who attended.

**Janie Strange**

## SUCSESSES AND ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE CHARITABLE TRUST

I am pleased to report an active and successful year for the Company's Charitable Trust.

### Adoption of Charities

One of the Trust's aims during the year has been to seek to adopt two or three charities and to give a meaningful sum to these which would make a demonstrable difference to them and give renewed focus for our charitable giving and fund raising.

I am delighted to say that two charities have been selected and adopted, first the Treloar Trust which has strong City of London connections and which runs a school for children, young men and women with severe physical disabilities. Both the Master and I have visited the school, which is at the forefront of its field. The work and dedication of the staff and carers is inspirational. We are giving an annual sum of £3,000 to Treloar to enable at

least two children to go sailing with the Jubilee Sailing Trust who have specifically designed boats for the disabled. Treloar are naturally delighted with this initiative.

The second charity we selected is the Christchurch Youth & Community Centre in Spitalfields, serving the needs of young people in Spitalfields. Christchurch works with boys and young men who are unemployed or excluded from school to overcome the risk of them becoming immersed in a downward spiral that can start with school or college non-attendance and lead to street violence and petty crime. We have donated £2,000 to this charity and hope to repeat this every year.

Both Treloar and Spitalfields welcome the opportunity of showing liverymen around their premises and presenting their work in action. If any liverymen wish to follow this up then they should contact me in the first instance.

### Fund Raising

To fund these and other initiatives, we have had in the last few months a major drive to encourage all liverymen to give to our Charitable Trust, which is at the heart of our Company.

I am pleased to say that nearly 50 liverymen have responded to this appeal and now over 76% of the Livery give to the Charitable Trust on a regular basis. I am very grateful to those of you who have given money or completed gift aid forms in the last few months thus enabling us to support these two new charities and continue supporting our regular charities.

The support given to the Charitable Trust and the Lord Mayor's Charity by the Swimathon is invaluable not only from the funds it raises but also for promoting the profile of the Company in the City. The Clerk and other members of the Company are to be congratulated for this continuing initiative. PAMADA (the Property Advertising & Marketing Award) continues to gift aid a valuable capital sum each year to the Charitable Trust. Since its inception nearly twenty years ago it has given nearly £200,000 to increase the Trust's capital base.

### The Outlook

Looking ahead we continue to support our core charities: the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust, the Schools Sponsorship Scheme to encourage the young into the profession, the Guildhall School of Music and the various charities associated with the Lord Mayor and the City. The income from our investments has of course fallen over the last year which we expected following the



Jubilee Sailing Trust – Lord Nelson.

reduction in yields on bonds and equities and we are being prudent with our donations. Our total income this year has reduced to about £22,000 and our donations are likely to be a similar amount so that additional support from the Livery this year has been invaluable.

**Roger Fidgen, Chairman of the Charitable Board**

## COMPANY OF CHARTERED SURVEYORS' AWARD PRESENTATION

This award was presented to Prudential LionHeart Football League

The Company of Chartered Surveyors' Award was established as an "endeavour" award to commemorate the 1979 Benewalk from John O'Groats to Lands End undertaken by Robert Steel (a Past Master of the Company), an outstanding achievement that raised more than £71,000.

It was decided that an award should be presented annually to the RICS Branch raising the most money for LionHeart, consideration being given in selecting the award winner to the initiative, resourcefulness and effort displayed. In 1994, it was agreed to include individuals amongst those eligible for the award.

The award comprises The Owl, which is the motif of the Company, mounted on a piece of Lands End rock and was designed by Leslie Durbin, CBE, MVO. It was first presented in May 1981 when the recipients were Kent branch.



## SCHOOLS SPONSORSHIP MAKES FURTHER PROGRESS

We are in the second year of our Schools Sponsorship Initiative with relations continuing to grow with our adopted five schools, namely the Robert Clack School in Dagenham, Kidbrooke School, SE3, St Saviours & St Olaves, SE1 and the Central Foundation Boys & Girls Schools. The objective of the initiative is to enable young people who are starting to think about careers to gain an understanding from surveyors about the opportunities and diversity of the surveying profession. We have been working closely with the RICS to ensure a commonality of message whilst avoiding duplication of effort.

The Education Committee has had a particularly active and enjoyable year and certainly from a personal point of view, a highlight was being invited, along with liveryman Laurence Johnstone, to attend the centenary visit by Her Majesty the Queen at St Saviours & St Olaves School in Southwark.

The Education Committee hopes to further build our relationship with our schools which will include the involvement of the Robert Clack School and St Saviours & St Olaves in the Lord Mayor's Show as well as possibly taking a number of pupils into liverymen's firms to gain first hand experience in surveying. I would like to encourage as many liverymen as possible to engage in our Education activities which is hugely satisfying and really does allow us to "put something back".

Liverymen involved this year have included David Pepper, Delva Patman, Jonathan Strong, Laurence Johnstone, Graham Chase, Elizabeth Edwards, Roger Southam and Dennis Vine and I would like to take the opportunity of thanking them for giving up their time which has been so well received by our schools. We are looking for more volunteers please.

**Robert Bould, Chairman of the Education Committee**

Left to Right: George Gillon, The Master; Graeme Canning, PruPim; Colin Jones, PruPim; Chris Nutten, PruPim; and Bryan Pickering, Chairman of LionHeart.



Scottish Arms Salesman (?), Wing Commander Roberts and Amanda at RAF Waddington.

## THE COMPANY'S ARMED FORCES SQUADRONS

12 months ago, who could have foreseen the intense activity in which our three adopted Squadrons were shortly to become involved? The threat of hostilities rumbling in the background no doubt added a dimension to the training exercises that are routinely undertaken, but I suspect that few anticipated having to put them into real life action.

Of our three Squadrons, two, 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers and No. 7010 (VR) Photographic Interpretation Squadron are manned (and femaled!) entirely by volunteers who give freely of their time and energy to train to exceptionally high standards enabling them to fully integrate with and support the Regulars. Only HMS Echo is a "regular" and even she is manned and available for operation over 344 days a year, a 50% improvement on previous Royal Naval Hydrographic vessels.

### 135 Independent Geographic Squadron

The year got off to a "fiery" start for 135 with the Squadron ducking hoses and dodging the Green Goddess fire engines of the Company of Royal Welsh Fusiliers, who were providing military support for the firemen's strike. Over the weekend of 25/26 January 2003, the Master and I joined the rest of the Squadron during Exercise Frosty Owl in Nottingham where we met the troop of 14 personnel who were to be deployed to the Gulf on Operation TELIC, the official name for the conflict in Iraq. Drewis Crew as the troop became known went from the cold of Nottingham to the heat and sand of the desert to play an essential role in the distribution of maps and other geographic products to the coalition forces operating in the field. It needs to be appreciated that maps are issued to every soldier on the ground – they need to know where they are and where they are going.

135 have now returned home, with one remaining Corporal in Basrah, who should be back for Christmas.

Major Amanda Shell took over command of the Squadron in July from Major Peter Fisk, in full ceremonial style, just in time for the Squadron to embark on its annual task to Cyprus, jointly with Regular colleagues in 42 Engineer Regiment (Geographic) to undertake traditional land surveying activity, checking and positioning the boundary posts that mark the two British Sovereign Base Areas located on the island.

### 7010 (VR) Squadron

In its 50th Anniversary year, 25 Imagery Analysts from 7010 were also called out to support Operation TELIC in

February to work alongside analysts from the Army and the United States in exploiting imagery taken over Iraq during the war. 14 personnel were deployed to JARIC, the Joint Air Reconnaissance Intelligence Centre in Cambridge and 11 were deployed to various locations around Iraq. All were involved with interpreting imagery in very short timescales in hot and challenging locations and in "theatre" conditions. All are expected back in the UK by the middle of October to enjoy the quieter routines of civilian life.

The Master and Clerk were entertained by the Squadron at RAF Waddington Air Show in June. Our congratulations in particular go to Squadron Leader Sue Roberts who not only was awarded the MBE in the New Year's Honours List, but also promoted to Wing Commander within the Headquarters Intelligence Reserves, where she will continue to have close contact with 7010 and its two sister Intelligence Squadrons. The Squadron is now under the command of Squadron Leader Bill Farrant who has only just come back from Iraq.

### HMS Echo

We have been keeping a very close eye on the progress of HMS Echo's sea trials since her formal commissioning into the Hydrographic fleet on 7 March 2003, a very moving ceremony attended by the Master, Wardens, the Clerk and me in Devonport. Under the command of Martin Jones, the three watch manning crew have been busy conducting sea trials, surveying and a host of military trials in preparation for the ship's first deployment away from UK waters later this year.

If we think constructing a building is difficult, imagine what it is like with a ship which includes state of the art integrated survey, advance navigation and communication systems, as well as being equipped for front line operations worldwide.

To mark the Company's links with Echo, we have presented her with 16 silver napkin rings engraved with the Livery Coat of Arms and the Ship's Crest.

Despite a very busy year, we have been able to return some of the hospitality that has been extended to the Company by entertaining the Commanding Officers and their partners at the Ladies Dinner at the Caledonian Club on 21 May, enabling the Master to personally thank, on behalf of the Company, all three Squadrons for all their endeavours and reinforcing the Company's continuing support.

We look forward to a programme of visits for Liverymen over the next 12 months.

**Past Master Delva Patman**



Clerk, Junior Warden, Honorary Air Commodore and the Master at Echo's Commissioning Day.



135 prepare for the Gulf.

## COMPANY FISHING DAY

"Chew Valley Lake enjoys a world-wide reputation for superb fly-fishing...it usually fishes well in May...it is well stocked...given warm and overcast conditions there will be a good chance of taking fish on dries..."

Encouraged by these puffing statements (old habits die hard) the Master and 24 liverymen and their guests came to Chew, in the Mendip Hills just south of Bristol, on Monday 19 May for a day's trout fishing. A goodly number arrived early and took a hearty breakfast before the time-honoured ritual of setting up rods and assessing the prospects with other anglers.

The 12 two man boats were away at 10 am on an overcast day with a keen south-westerly blowing. By lunchtime it had become clear that the fishing was not going to be easy. Luncheon in the Clubhouse was a lively affair, but spirits were dampened in the afternoon session as the wind increased and the rain fell. Rather unfairly, by weigh-in time the clouds had cleared and the sun appeared. It wasn't that we had picked a bad day; the weather had been like that all month!

The Baker Trophy and prize for the heaviest bag went to liveryman Alex Shatunowski; the Best Guest prize to Simon Hodges (a local chartered surveyor and frequent member of the English fly-fishers' team); and the heaviest fish prize to David Cashmore.

With the encouragement of those who enjoyed this year - and the promise that May is usually the best month for fly-fishing - a provisional date has been made for a return visit on 17 May 2004. More details in January, but if you are a fly-fisherman/lady and haven't previously registered your interest, do let the Clerk know.

**Liveryman David Marsh**

## LIVERY VISIT TO IRONBRIDGE

Some 20 members of the Company and their guests, including the wardens, two past masters and the clerk joined the Master at Ironbridge early in September to support him in his annual duty of paying the peppercorn rent for the Estate Office.

The Estate Office has been reconstructed in the Victorian town at Blists Hill, one of the museums making up the Ironbridge Gorge Museum on this World Heritage site. Although there have been previous reports in these pages on the conception of the Estate Office project, it



Piscatorial Master Baker and Champion Alex Shatunowski.

is worth repeating that the funds required were largely raised by the Company which also went on to play a major part in the reconstruction.

As a first time visitor to Ironbridge, I was initially struck by the sheer size of the area covered by the museums and also by the high standards to which the various buildings have been restored not to mention the exhibits within and the staff demonstrating their various skills.

After a thoroughly enjoyable morning in the Museum of Iron and the newer Enigunity Museum, we adjourned to Blists Hill for an excellent lunch. We then repaired to the Estate Office for the ceremony of the key and the payment of the rent. At this point, stovepipe hats and tailcoats suddenly appeared on the heads and backs of well known figures, long grey sideburns and moustaches grew with amazing speed and the cropped tops and jeans of younger guests turned into Victorian pinafores and mobcaps. A supply of curly brimmed bowlers and a policeman on a "sit up and beg" bike completed the theatre of the occasion. The rent was then duly paid, watched by a crowd of bemused onlookers.



The Master in trouble in the Ironbridge Estate Office.

Whether it was euphoria induced by the good-natured proceedings or the sound of an expertly played piano and singing voices issuing from its doors and windows, most

of the party found themselves unable to pass the open door of the New Inn, a reconstructed hostelry just along the road from the Estate Office. The parlour was already full and, as it was standing room only in the bar, many visitors also stood around the outside of the open parlour window. Egged on by a skilled MC all were soon singing music hall favourites with gusto including that DIY saga "When father papered the parlour"! A memorable visit was then rounded off with an especially athletic version of "Sons of the Seas"!

The overall impression of the Estate Office is of a reconstruction so well done that it looks as if it grew there over the centuries. Eyeing the display of surveying instruments, those in the party who started their training in the 1950s and 60s must have reflected that change had not been rapid in the previous 100 years.

**Liveryman John Kirk**

## THE HALLS OF THE LIVERY COMPANIES OF THE CITY OF LONDON

Liverymen are reminded that thanks to the efforts of Brian Lamden, the Junior Warden Elect, in 2001 the Company announced the reprint of this illustrated book, first printed in 1981, based around the magnificent drawings produced by Howard Penton in 1904. Penton, a notable marine and landscape artist, exhibited at the Academy, the Royal Institution of Painters in Water Colours and the Royal Society of Marine Artists. The detail of the drawings must be seen to be believed. Whilst the book records the Livery Halls as they existed in 1904, many still remain or have been rebuilt, very much in the same style. This book is the only known historical record of those halls and is an ideal coffee table book and/or gift to a fellow Liveryman.

Copies can be obtained at the Guildhall Book Shop. Alternatively, for an order form to include a personal dedication page, contact Brian Lamden on 020 7491 4052 fax 020 7492 4027 or e-mail at [blam@reidlamden.demon.co.uk](mailto:blam@reidlamden.demon.co.uk). The cost of the book is £45 including postage and packaging.

## STRING QUARTET COMPETITION THE GUILDHALL SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DRAMA

The 2002 String Quartet Competition was held in the Music Hall at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama on 13 October 2002. It was well attended by the Master,

Wardens, Clerk, and many liverymen and their partners. Members of the Cordwainers Ward Club, including Lady Jenkins, the Chairman, also attended as did a number of teachers and students.

The adjudicator was Michael Stirling, who studied the cello at the Guildhall School with Leonard Stehn and Raphael Wallfisch and subsequently continued his studies at the Banff Centre, Canada and the New England Conservatory in Boston, USA.

There were three quartet finalists, all of whom played different pieces of music by Haydn, Mozart, Brahms and Ravel to an extraordinary high standard, bearing in mind their age and relatively limited performance experience. It was quite apparent that all the musicians thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to show off their talent and the audience responded most warmly.

The winners were:

- Daniel Bard & Kio Seiler - violins
- Clara Bliss - viola
- Mara Miribung - cello

Later in the evening, a well attended and particularly successful supper was held at Pizza Express, London Wall. This afforded an excellent opportunity for the musicians, liverymen and other members of the audience to mingle socially. I would sincerely encourage all liverymen who have not attended this function to consider doing so next year. It really is worthwhile and the contribution of the Chartered Surveyors' Company is much appreciated by the staff and students of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

**The Master Elect**

## VISIT TO WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

The Master and Clerk hosted two successful visits to Whitechapel Bell Foundry which has been based in the area for centuries. Bells, large and small, have been supplied to many of the famous churches in London and elsewhere, both at home and abroad.

The parties saw that bell making remains a very traditional process in Whitechapel, in extremely old buildings, which are now listed, and hence difficult to modernise. The parties were told that the mix of materials for the manufacture of the bells and the heating processes have changed little over the centuries, but in the tuning of the



Surveyors check the timbers of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.



The Caledonian Club – spot the trews!

bells, modern technology is now being applied. Much of the work at the Foundry now involves the repairing and retuning of bells and the various methods of repair - depending on the type of work to be done - was described in some detail. The manufacture of small hand-bells is now a major part of the business, and these are now sold for both decorative and musical purposes.

The evening which proved to be a most enjoyable one ended with refreshments on the premises, provided by the owner of the business and his family, thus concluding a memorable visit to one of the City's less well known institutions.

**Liveryman Richard Cotton**

## DINNER AT THE CALEDONIAN CLUB

This was a delightful evening at the Caledonian Club by the kind permission of George Gillon, our Master, who earlier in the week had been installed as Chairman of the Club. At the start of the dinner, Pipe Major Ian King piped the Chartered Surveyors' Company song round the dining room. This song was specially written by Surveyor, Rea Stewart who presented the framed score to the Master.

Harpist, Norma Ritchie played and sang a collection of songs following the Master's life. The principal speaker was Past Lord Mayor Alderman Sir Alexander Graham who gave us an amusing speech. He commented on the lack of Haggis on the evening and observed that as far as the Common Market was concerned, the Germans make the rules, the French look for the gaps in those rules, the Spanish haven't read them, the Italians don't know the rules exist but of course the English jail people who break them.

The response from the Master as Her Majesty's Scottish Ambassador in London was to welcome us to the Scottish Embassy. He praised Alderman Alexander Graham for his achievements, not only as a Past Lord Mayor but as a



previous Master of the Mercers' Company and also welcomed our other official guests, the Masters of the Needlemakers, Fruiterers, Architects and Bowyers. He drew particular attention to our links with the three Armed Forces all of whom were represented and praised their recent involvements in the conflict in Iraq.

Squadron Leader, Sue Roberts Officer Commanding 7010 (VR) Photographic Interpretation Squadron replied on behalf of the guests and she told us that 25 members of her unit had been deployed at various locations during the conflict and stressed how much the Squadron enjoyed and appreciated the close links that have been forged with the Company. This ended a delightful, relaxed but memorable evening.

**Past Master Robin Broadhurst**

## VISIT TO THE GUILDHALL ART GALLERY AND LADIES DINNER

On 27 January 2003, 39 Liverymen, their partners and guests visited the Guildhall Art Gallery for the Court Ladies Dinner.

The evening started with a private viewing of the Roman Amphitheatre which is situated below this magnificent extension to the Guildhall. After a fascinating talk on the excavation and preservation of the amphitheatre by Ted Hartill, the Senior Warden, guests moved to the Art Gallery for pre-dinner drinks and an opportunity to walk round the extensive array of pictures.

A splendid dinner in the Basinghall Suite was followed by an address by Vivien Knight, the Curator of the Guildhall Art Gallery. Using a series of pictures and photographs which had been specially brought into the room for the evening, we were given an expert's insight into the creation and ongoing restoration of the Corporation's art collection. The evening was rounded off by Mr Brian Harris, Master Glazier and Painter of Glass (a fellow Chartered Surveyor) who responded on behalf of the Guests. It transpired that Brian and our own Master go back over many years and have a common interest in game fishing. The assembled company were treated to several enlightening stories about the Master's salmon-fishing prowess, albeit most had to be taken with a substantial pinch of salt!

**Liveryman Simon Kolesar**

Past Master Baker, Clare Johnstone and the editor Liveryman Laurence Johnstone, at the Caledonian Club.



AMD receiving the PAMADA Victor Ludorum.



## 2002 PAMADA AWARDS

This year's PAMADA Awards ceremony was the 13th since the inception of this annual event. Given the challenging environment of a difficult year for the property industry in 2002 it was very rewarding that there was such a significant increase in the number of entries, 450 in all.

There was also a demonstrable improvement in quality, which reflects the growing importance of the Awards and underlines the Company's mission of raising the standards and quality of property advertising, marketing and design.

The overall winner this year was AMD Property Marketing for their entry on The Lighthouse, London E14.

PAMADA 2002 also marked the launch of the website [www.pamada.org.uk](http://www.pamada.org.uk) which lists all past winners and runners up since 1991 and offers an invaluable source of reference to locate proven and acknowledged specialists in the various categories of awards. Finally, the event marked the stepping down as PAMADA Secretary of Past Master Anthony Bull the original architect of PAMADA which over the last 12 years has raised over £200,000 for the Company's charitable funds. I wish to pay tribute to Anthony's efforts over the years and also to thank this year's PAMADA committee and many other individuals who helped the event achieve such success.

**Liveryman David Larkin**

## INTER-LIVERY SWIMATHON GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

Once again, the Inter-Livery Swimathon run by the Company took place for the thirteenth time, on Monday 28th April 2003 at the RAC Club in Epsom.

With just under 100 swimmers taking part this year, from fourteen livery companies this charitable event continues as one of the most popular on the livery calendar. This year, approximately £15,000 was raised and there were over 140 swimmers and guests at the lively post-swim dinner.

The home team fielded 3 teams of swimmers which was a little ambitious as our clerk, Amanda Jackson, her daughter Bryony and James Bryer had to swim 60, 70 and 70 lengths respectively, 60 lengths being equivalent to two kilometres. New swimmers for 2004 are very welcome! Impressive swims were also registered from the Master, a new swimmer, and Sir Brian Hill, who completed his one kilometre in a good time.

Many thanks again to Amanda Jackson for organising this event and also to liveryman James Gillett for being the pool-side attendant yet again. It is hoped that next year day we will get him into the water!

**Liveryman James Bryer**

## THE "CITY LIVERY" ROSE

Liverymen are reminded of the availability of the City Livery Rose which not only makes an excellent birthday or Christmas present but also generates funds for the Company's Charitable Trust.

The brainchild of Delva Patman, Past Master of the Company, "City Livery" was launched at the Chelsea Flower Show 2000 with a presentation to the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, Sheriffs and their Escorts. In 2002, a gift of 50 "City Livery" rose bushes was presented to Her Majesty the Queen in celebration of her Golden Jubilee. Both the Corporation of London and Birmingham City Council have also planted the roses in a number of public gardens.

"City Livery" is produced by Harkness Roses, one of the Country's leading rose breeders and growers. It is clear sparkling lemon yellow in colour with an attractive apple

perfume and mid green foliage. It is a rose which has the rare combination of soft and pastel shade that is also bright and sparkling. In bright sunlight it sparkles without dazzling, in dappled shade the colour is bright and lively. The clusters have up to nine flowers, which open in succession, giving a really long period of flower in both garden and vase. In trials for the last seven years there has been good disease resistance, and importantly for a pale shade, the petals withstand both rain and heat without notable damage.

Liverymen wishing to obtain supplies of "City Livery" should apply (mentioning the Livery connection) to: R Harkness & Co Ltd, The Rose Garden, Hitchin, Herts. SG4 0JT. Tel. 01462 4204.



"City Livery"

## THE COURT AND COMMITTEES 2003-2004

### The Court

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 Terry Knight, FRICS, Senior Warden  
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 Stuart Hibberdine, FRICS, Past Master  
 Delva Patman, FRICS, Past Master  
 Hugh Stebbing, FRICS, Past Master  
 Michael Baker, FRICS, Past Master  
 George Gillon, CC, FRICS, Past Master  
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 Richard Cotton, FRICS  
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 Richard Cotton  
 Digby Flower  
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 James Gillett  
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 Janie Strange  
 Jonathan Strong

### Pamada Awards

David Larkin, Chairman 2003-2004  
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