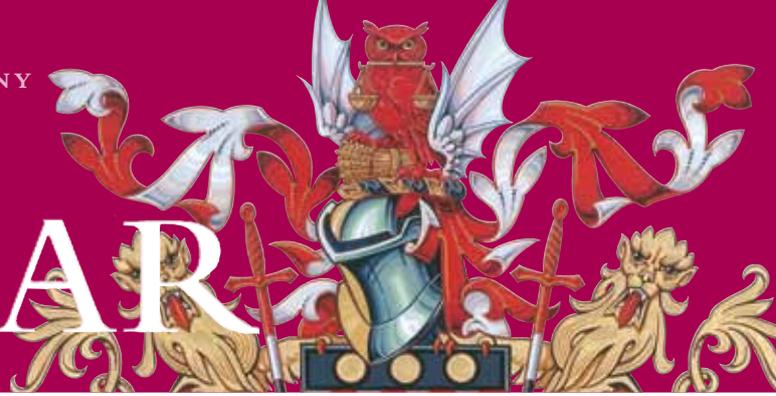


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THE MASTER'S REPORT

'Profile, Charity & Fellowship...'



Rob Boulton, Master

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I have two themes which I will address as part of my end of year report, leaving the hard working committee chairman to fill in with the detail. It is absolutely right that I start by acknowledging the work undertaken by the committees to whom I offer a huge vote of thanks.

Profile

Without question our property industry Lord Mayor, Michael Bear, has had an outstanding year which has made the first of my two themes a reality.

He and Barbara have worked tirelessly to promote the City with tangible effect and at every opportunity have sought to engage with the Surveyors' Company. How fortunate we are to have him as a Court Assistant to offer guidance and advice.

Our engagement started with our float and landaus in the Lord Mayor's Show and the article in the souvenir brochure. Membership of the Lord Mayor and Sheriff's Committee has allowed strong links to be established with the Paviers' and Engineers' Companies, our three companies being the Lord Mayor's supporters for the year.

To list all the engagements facilitated by the Lord Mayor would be tiresome but I must mention two. Firstly, the Lord Mayor's Banquet and the opportunity to escort and present the Archbishop of Canterbury. Secondly, the lunch at Mansion House with the Lord Mayor and President of the RICS as co-hosts. At this lunch, specific initiatives were discussed by the assembled chartered surveyor Masters and I expect that these will further lift the profile of surveyors in the City.

Our membership is currently 359, our highest ever and I am particularly pleased to report that the Surveyors' Freeman Society that was established this year and led by Liveryman Tony Joyce is going from strength to strength. We have for many years had a desire for such a group to act as a feeder for the Company and to increase our profile. The desire is now a reality.

Good engagement with our three military affiliates has been maintained and this year we have added a relationship with the Sea Cadets. Mr Assistant Tuffin has agreed to take responsibility on behalf of the Court .

Charity

To all those who have 'put something back' a big thank you and I hope that you found the experience as fulfilling as I have.

All our committee chairmen have done a fantastic job but I must single out for special praise Past Master Laurence Johnstone in his role as Chairman of the Fundraising Committee. Never an easy role but one that LJ has led from the front with spectacular results. This year the Company will have raised well in excess of £100,000.

Past Master Simon Kolesar so ably coordinated the Christ Church Concert which saw 300 plus entertained and raised in excess of £25,000. Sherriff Richard Sermon represented the Lord Mayor and was hugely impressed.

And to the anonymous Liveryman who has allowed the Matched Funding Campaign to happen, thank you for so tangibly demonstrating the core values of the Livery movement.

This year we have supported the Lord Mayor's Appeal, 'Bear Necessities' - which is providing funds for Coram and RedR. At our Friends and Family dinner in June, I had the honour of presenting a cheque to the Lord Mayor for £50,000 on behalf of the Surveyors.

Our relationships with our schools continues to grow and I am told that our work placement opportunities are the most highly prized. How satisfying it was for us to see the first recipient of our Bursary scheme, Charlotte Watson, at our Spring Livery Dinner, having successfully completed her university degree with a 2.1. We currently have 12 Bursaries in place.

Fellowship

The Livery is all about fellowship and I hope that you will have enjoyed the wide range of social and sporting events during the year.

As well as the more formal dinners we have had a number of firsts which have included a visit to Althorp, an Aston Martin evening in the West End, a ladies lunch at Mansion House hosted by Jenna and the Lady Mayoress, the Foundling Museum visit and Sunday afternoon Polo at Ham. It was particularly pleasing to see a variety of liverymen attending these events who may not have engaged for some time.

When I first joined the Court I must admit that I was puzzled by the affinity of the Livery with a small town in Shropshire. This has remained with me for some time until the Master's weekend at Ironbridge. All is now clear. At the centre of the action in the restored Estate Office, dressed in period costume, was our own Past Master Professor Alan Gillett who has contributed so much to the Company over the years.

The Father of the Company was rightly recognised with a presentation at the Mansion House Dinner in June – thank you for everything, Dad!

Staying with the family theme, I must thank my lovely, long suffering wife, Jenna, who has provided such a strong foundation; after some apprehension I know that she has enjoyed herself.

My final thanks must of course go to our Clerk Amanda Jackson, to Cindy Vines and Sue Hussey, Beadle Steve Froggatt, Assistant Beadle Jimmy James and our Accountant James Harman for all their help and support during the year.

My successor, Mickola Wilson, will, I know, provide you with another interesting and worthwhile programme for the year ahead and will be ably supported by the senior warden, Roger Southam, and our new junior warden, Elizabeth Edwards.

To the Livery, I send my best wishes and thank you for allowing me the privilege of holding office as your 34th Master.

Long may our Company flourish – Root and Branch!
Rob Boulton, Master 2010 /2011

THE PROPERTY MARKETING AWARDS

The 2011 Property Marketing Awards attracted a big audience in their 19th year to recognise the innovation, creativity and success that the very best in the property industry has to offer on 30th June 2011.

The Chartered Surveyors' Company organises these prestigious awards in partnership with the Estates Gazette. There was a lot of time spent with tta Group who were brilliant at getting the sponsorship together and providing the venue for judging.

These awards are highly respected in the property marketing industry. We had entries from a wide range of companies including Candy & Candy, Savills, Sectorlight, GVA and Heron International. The awards evening on the 30th June was hosted by Roger Southam, Chairman and Chief Executive of Chainbow, at the offices of SJ Berwin in the City of London. Roger proved to be a lively and entertaining host and has already volunteered for the role again next year.

Candy & Candy were named best In-house Marketing Team, while Sectorlight won four awards on the night, including the Victor Ludorum 'Best of the Best' Award.

The Property Marketing Awards was a fantastic event this year and raised around £11,000 for our Charitable Funds. We were pleased with the high quality of the entries that we received for the Awards and will build on the success of the event for next year to make it an even bigger industry highlight. We would like more Livery support for the event in 2012 as we expect to at least double the money received.

Madam Liveryman Rachel Puzey

THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The Master set a demanding budget for the Company at the start of the year, in order to pare down costs and to keep expenditure to a minimum. This was to reflect the extraordinarily difficult economic climate in which we are living, to reflect the effects on the property sector and, not least, the likely impacts upon Liverymen in particular. We have met with our investment advisors, Schroders, on a number of occasions during the year and they have been excellent in the support and advice provided to the Company.

We are delighted to announce that our financial results show we are in a robust position, despite the uncertain economic period in which we are operating. I am pleased to report that costs have been contained and our functions have been extremely well supported by our Liverymen.

The only extra-ordinary item in this budget will be the expenditure which we have incurred as a result of supporting our own Lord Mayor, Liveryman Alderman Michael Bear, but this was approved in the setting of the budget last year.

Not least, I would like to thank our Accountant James Harman for his work in supporting the Company.

Chairman of F & GP Madam Assistant Edwards

FUND RAISING REPORT

Raising charitable funds is always a challenge and especially so in difficult economic conditions. However, our Company is very fortunate in having a body of incredibly enthusiastic and generous Liverymen keen to 'put something back' and to do everything possible to further our charitable aims.

This year, we have run several very successful fund raising initiatives. The first of these was a Concert at Christ Church Spitalfields held in March. Featured elsewhere in this newsletter, this resulted in net proceeds into our charitable funds of more than £25k.

More recently, we launched the Matched Fund initiative. This was the brainchild of one of our Liverymen (who requests anonymity) who offered a personal donation of up to £25k towards our Bursary Scheme by matching all donations from our



Above. PMA Best Public Sector award, presented by GVA's Patrick Morrissey to BWP Group's Melanie Williams and Keiron Weedon



'Exchange of Arms' The Company visit to 7010 Squadron at RAF Marnham



Above. The new Lord Mayor climbs aboard The Lord Mayor's carriage.

Liverymen specifically made into the Matched Fund. Such an offer is amazingly generous and a unique opportunity for the Company. As this Circular goes to press, the tally is not finalised but including gift aid, we expect the Matched Fund to have achieved well in excess of the £50k overall target.

The above initiatives, combined with the proceeds of the Property Marketing Awards and other donations received, will see the total secured during this latest Livery year amount to substantially greater than the £100k target for the year. Moreover, since in our two previous financial years the Company had already raised more than £200k of new funds through schemes including the Skydive, the Company Abseil and the merger with the Guy Bigwood Trust, I am delighted to say that we have exceeded the £300k fund raising target set in the current 3 year Business Plan.

The Company's sincere thanks must go to all those Liverymen, their families, friends and other sponsors who have given so generously and responded to our pleas for money and other forms of giving. I am also very grateful to my fellow Fund Raising Committee members for their guidance and involvement as well as the Clerk for her support. That our Company continues to play such a strong part in the charitable traditions of the Livery movement is something of which we can be proud – long may this continue!

In the next Livery year we plan to focus our fund raising, at least partly, on sources outside the Company. An exciting new project will be a 'Tower Running' event to take place in Heron International's 46 storey Heron Tower, Bishopsgate in early 2012. We are staging this event in partnership with LandAid and Liverymen interested in taking part should keep the afternoon and evening of 23rd February 2012 clear in their diaries

Laurence Johnstone, Past Master & Chairman, Fund Raising Committee

LIVERY & LADIES ART TOUR AND LUNCH AT THE MANSION HOUSE WITH THE LADY MAYORESS

Our Art Tour was well attended with 33 ladies including the Senior Warden, Mickola Wilson.

The day commenced with coffee in the Salon at The Mansion House and we were welcomed by The Lord Mayor, Michael Bear, who was between appointments and gave us a quick viewing of his office in The Venetian Parlour.

The Mansion House is both the home of The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress and workplace during their year of office which started in November 2010.

The Art Tour was led by two guides from The Guildhall Art Gallery who had extensive knowledge of the Dutch and Flemish 17th Century Art Collection, which was bequeathed to the City of London in 1987 by Lord Harold Samuel, a wealthy

Property Developer and Chartered Surveyor.

We were joined for lunch in the Long Parlour by The Lady Mayoress who, after a lavish lunch of salmon and Bailey's cheesecake, offered a surprise tour of the private apartments. The perfect end to a perfect day.

The Master's Lady, Mrs Jenna Boulton

THE FOUNDLING MUSEUM

Set in the heart of Bloomsbury adjacent to Coram Fields is the Foundling Museum. On the evening of 6th April, the Livery were given the opportunity to have a private viewing of this most fascinating, yet largely unknown, museum that opened in 2004.

The Museum brings together centuries of artefacts and the history of one man's achievement, with the assistance of the artist, William Hogarth and the composer, Georg Frideric Handel, to transform the lives of abandoned children.

The museum tells the story of Captain Thomas Coram and his struggle and ultimately his huge success in creating the Foundling Hospital in 1739, London's first home for abandoned children, which remained open until 1954 having helped more than 27,000 children. His achievement was to create a system that was the forerunner to modern day childcare.

The evening commenced with a very interesting, and at times, passionate, introduction to the work of Coram and the Museum by Past Master and Chairman of Coram, Ted Hartill and Dr Carol Homden, the Chief Executive. The introduction also included a small debate about whether Captain Thomas Coram would have wished for a portrait of himself (by William Hogarth) to be sold for the benefit of the Foundation and its development plans. Although it was felt that he would; the painting forms a key part of a very important story and collection that should be preserved.

The evening continued with guided tours of the Museum covering paintings by Hogarth, Gainsborough and Reynolds, as well as an insight into the admissions system for the children under which either a white (accepted), red (draw again) or black (rejected) ball was drawn out of a bag. Was this where the saying 'Black Balled' came from?

The collection also includes the World's largest private collection of Handel's music, including a ticket to the then equivalent of 'Band Aid' where Handel performed to raise a significant amount of money for the Hospital.

Finally, I would like to thank the Museum for entertaining the Livery so well and I am sure that, like myself, those that attended the evening found it a most fascinating part of our history and demonstrated what an important charity the Lord Mayor has chosen to support.

Liveryman James Way

VISIT TO ALTHORP – WINTER WARMERS

It was a bright, cold and frosty afternoon in late November when The Master, liverymen and their guests gathered at the beautiful house of Althorp in Northamptonshire, which has been the home of the Spencer family for 500 years. The house was built in 1508 by Sir John Spencer and was the childhood home of Diana, Princess of Wales.

Sadly, the main front façade was covered in scaffolding and netting but it was still possible to appreciate the magnificence of the house and its park. Greeted inside with warm mulled wine and mince pies, we stood in the hall around an enormous Christmas tree and sang carols. It really did feel like the start of Christmas.

Splitting into groups, we were taken on a tour of the house, told its history and the history of the family and their ancestors. Althorp has a particularly fine collection of portraits so not only were we able to hear about the family, we were able to visualise them living at Althorp through their portraits. There were paintings by Rubens, van Dyck, Reynolds, Gainsborough and many others – quite a roll call.

Moving through magnificent rooms with wonderful views over the park, it was obvious that some were lived in by the family whilst others were very much saved for more formal occasions. What a wonderful party you could have in the State dining room, where the table can seat forty two people.

Towards the end of the tour, we found ourselves in the Garden Lobby surrounded by cabinets displaying fine and intricately decorated porcelain. The collection covers oriental, Chinese export porcelain together with pieces from European and British factories of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. As the guidebook says "it provides a wonderful opportunity to compare products from various factories and locations, as well as to illustrate the transfer of influences from one to the other and the development of styles".

The tour of the house completed, we were treated to a wonderful tea of delicate sandwiches, scones with strawberry jam and clotted cream and plates of delicious cakes. I, for one, found dinner that evening quite a challenge!

Madam Assistant Janie Strange

LIVERY AND LADIES DINNER

While bitter storms blew through the City of London, The Innholders Hall, tucked away in the lea of St Paul's Cathedral, beckoned Chartered Surveyors for their Livery and Ladies Dinner. Gilded sconces and tall candles lit the ancient Hall, oak walls and deep carpets welcomed many elegant ladies for this winter celebration.

Under the low ceilings of the Innholders Parlour, tall glasses brimmed with cheer and The Master and

his Lady made all welcome, good friends, their wives and daughters, guests, new and not so new Liverymen. The long tables stretched down the hall, a great dinner, blackberry and apple pie and all.

Candles reflected on the Loving Cups passing up and down. The toasts rolled on and David Palfreyman regaled us with the mysteries of the High Table at New College, Oxford and the college and Universities striving for excellence, welcoming all with talent to belong and learn.

Our Master, Rob Bould, applauded the Company's long term commitment, advancing education and opportunity in London's Schools, determined to raise the maximum funds possible in his year. He welcomed Liz Peace, CEO of The British Property Federation.

Liz applauded those in the property world who gladly embraced opportunity and encouraged constructive change. She reminded us communication with Government is always vital to head off damaging legislation and taxes. She applauded the generosity and goodwill that all the Worshipful Companies stand for and strive to achieve.

The warmth of The Innholders beckoned Liverymen and guests for a late cup of cheer and the winter air did not seem so chill when finally they stepped into the night.

Liveryman Simon Camamile

COMPANY FISHING DAY

A day's fly-fishing at Chew Lake in the Mendip Hills is one to look forward to with anticipation. So it was that 15 liverymen and their guests, eschewing superstition, met there on Friday 13th May. The near perfect conditions made for a great day with everyone enjoying some of the best 'top of the water' sport for many years. By weigh-in time, the total bag of 32 trout weighing 69 lbs, averaging 2.13 fish and 4.5 lbs per rod, proved to be a record catch for the Company.

An improving liveryman, William Bagnall, won the coveted Baker Trophy with a bag of 3 fish weighing 6 lb 10 oz, by just having the advantage over liveryman, Peter Dove, on weight (of his fish). The prize to the best guest went to Past Master Hugh Stebbing's boat partner, Geoff Moore, with 3 fish at 7 lb 8 oz. The prize for the captor of the heaviest fish went to William's cousin, David Bagnall, at 2 lb 12 oz. But you should have heard the stories of the ones (usually described as 'nice' fish) that got away!

The overall improved performance is directly attributable to those who chose to take a local fishing guide. That very much added to the ambience of what is always a most sociable occasion. We shall meet again at Chew Lake on Friday 11th May 2012.

Liveryman David Marsh



Above. Ham Polo Visit - The Master and his Lady with Liveryman Tony Joyce and his Lady, enjoying the spectacle.

Below. Three men in a boat! (L to R) Liveryman William Bagnall (winner of the Baker Trophy), his cousin David Bagnall (winner of 'the heaviest fish') and Ghillie Paul Weiss.



Above. Fishing day presentation - Past Master Michael Baker presents Liveryman William Bagnall with The Baker Trophy

INTER LIVERY CLAY PIGEON SHOOT

Every man had completed his own personal preparation and was lost in his own thoughts as each team waited quietly, in the early morning drizzle, for the signal to go.

At last the signal came and it was every man for himself as we surged forward.....yes, the bacon rolls, croissants and coffee didn't stand a chance against the combined might of the 3 teams representing the Company of Chartered Surveyors!

It was not long after breakfast that the shooting began.....swiftly followed by a lot of waiting as 467 guns from 116 teams of Liverymen queued patiently for the chance to dazzle or disappoint.

The competition took the form of an 80 bird sporting layout over 10 stands plus an 80 bird Flush, giving a possible total team score of 400.

Team 'B', comprising The Master (Rob Bould), Liveryman Duncan Moss and 2 guests, finished in 74th place with an overall score of 197.

Team 'C', comprising Liverymen Rupert Dodson, Guy Bonsar, Peter Mitchell and Assistant Roger Watts, scored 244 and finished in 42nd place.

Team 'A'.....The Court Team, comprising Past Master Brian Lamden, Assistant Digby Flower, Liveryman Greg Nicholson (a late, but welcome, replacement for Assistant John Woodman who was unable to join us) and yours truly, scored a total of 283 which put us in 19th place. A creditable performance in the flush saw us score 72 out of 80 to be placed 4th equal out of 116 teams.

The shooting over, we swapped yarns about narrow misses on various of the demanding stands whilst getting the better of a couple of spit-roasted pigs and all the trimmings.

All in all, another very enjoyable day's shooting where the representatives of the Company of Chartered Surveyors acquitted themselves well. Our grateful thanks go to Past Master Brian Lamden who organised our entry and spurred his team mates on to greater efforts by selflessly missing many a target! We look forward to next year's event.

Assistant David Tuffin

POLO AT HAM

According to Past Master and Father of the Company Alan Gillett, this was a first for the Company although not a new experience for Alan, having courted Patricia at Ham, a few years ago!

Thirty three liverymen and friends were superbly entertained at The London Polo Club, Ham, the oldest ground in central London.

The quintessential English summer afternoon started with Pimms in front of our private marquee

followed by a sumptuous buffet and the ubiquitous strawberries and cream.

The weather was kind and only ever threatened rain with many sunny spells, ideal conditions for three polo matches which entertained us all once we had got to grips with the rules.

The highlight of the afternoon was the Godbold Trophy match which was both fast paced and extremely close, right up to the final score.

President of the Ham Polo Club, Geoffrey Godbold, was in attendance to provide his personal insight which made the occasion even more enjoyable.

A delightful way to spend a summer afternoon; good friends, good food and good entertainment.

All in all, a fine day.

The Master's Lady, Mrs Jenna Bould

WCCS GO KARTING GRAND PRIX

12 valiant teams battled it out over the Le Mans style 2 hour non-stop endurance race with entries from Chainbow, GVA Grimley, Seven Dials, Trident, Malcolm Hollis, Tuffin Ferraby Taylor, Farebrother and the families Bould & Kolesar.

The Company should be immensely proud that we throw ourselves into such an event with all the enthusiasm of an International Grand Prix and yet the reality is that it is held in a beaten up old bus garage in Streatham!

The course is challenging even for an experienced driver, with turns duly named 'Howler Hairpin', 'Casualty Turn' and a favourite, the 'Parabolica', a long sweeping turn immediately opposite to the pit lanes which, when misjudged, resulted in many spinning 360 degrees and 'stuffing it' into the tyres in full view of all the other competitors.

Many collected black flags handed out by the seemingly omnipotent track staff, notably GVA 2 which seemed to collect them like confetti. It was also highly amusing watching drivers being held in the 'sin bin' for a 2 minute penalty period for dubious track etiquette and seemingly 'turning Italian' judging by their highly animated arm gesturing.

All in all, a great evening was had by all and in the spirit of 'all's fair in love and war' we retreated to a local hostelry to regale tales of how unlucky we were not to achieve a podium place.

Those victors that needed no such excuses were:
1st – McLaren Hollis
2nd – Kolesar's Karters
3rd – GVA 4

Assistant David Mann

**THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW -
13TH NOVEMBER 2010**

Now there's a date that will live long in our memories. Why on earth would we put ourselves through all of this? It was, of course, to have fun, to be part of history and to support our new Lord Mayor, Michael Bear.

RICS staff members were proud to join Liverymen and youngsters from local schools (wielding ranging rods) in a procession designed to illustrate the profession's key role in the built environment.

The 'Walking Buildings' were seen by thousands of bemused onlookers tottering and dancing along the traditional route. At least Lord Mayor, Michael Bear, as a property man and Chartered Surveyor himself, will have fully grasped the significance of the bizarre spectacle.

It took over a year to get it all organised but we hope we did the Company proud. Our 'walking' float comprised 40 people including a 10 man jazz band, 4 walking buildings (St. Paul's, Big Ben, the Telecoms Tower and the Gherkin) an inflatable globe and representatives from Archbishop Tenison's, Robert Clack and St. Saviour's and St. Olave's Schools.

And didn't we feel part of history. The whole purpose of the parade, of course, is to convey the newly elected Lord Mayor to the Royal Courts of Justice to swear an oath of allegiance to the Sovereign. A procession has taken place every year except one, since 1215. We were also part of the longest running TV show in the world, this event having been broadcast by the BBC every year since the 1930s.

The parade itself was a colossal event with some 6,500 participants and being three miles long. The logistics are awesome, bearing in mind the route is only one mile long each way.

So how did we fare? Just about everything that could go wrong did. Parts of one of the costumes had been left behind which necessitated a hasty dash early in the morning. Our supply of gas for the globe ran out. Fortunately, Assistant David Mann managed to bribe another participant to help. Whilst the parade moved at one speed, our jazz band did not, which meant that we did get a bit strung out on the Strand. Fortunately, the return leg was much better due to a hasty bit of reorganisation.

There was an anxious moment after lunch at the mid point when the band disappeared, but all was well when they were discovered in a local ale house – they sounded even better on the home strait!

Was it fun? - Of course it was. As a walking float it is easy to engage with the vast numbers of spectators. We were really pleased to see so many people there being friends, family, Liverymen and surveyors.

There are so many to thank. We would not have got there without the help of Amanda and our small Committee.

On the day we based ourselves around GVA's offices in Cheapside where guests were wined and dined in fine style, for which we have the Master to thank.

Our partner schools did tremendously well particularly on the return leg, when they got to dress up in some of the costumes. Particular thanks goes to one unsung hero from Robert Clack School who wore the Gherkin costume on the way out through fogged up vision panels.

We are grateful for all the support and help provided by our RICS partners in this event. We did not perhaps get the press coverage which we might have done due to our location immediately in front of the RedR float, one of the Lord Mayor's charities this year. For that we can blame the Pageant Master.

Whilst cold, the weather was kind to us and we certainly had a grand day out which provided an unforgettable, fun experience – and all in a good cause.

After a joyful, if arduous, march (those rubber costumes can chafe!) the team repaired to GVA Grimley's offices where much needed refreshments had been very kindly laid on.

The idea was the brainchild of Assistant Roger Watts and David Mann and sponsorship was shared between the Company and RICS. Apart from the 'Walking Buildings' and the ranging rods, the group was helped along by the loud and cheerful sound of a Dixieland Jazz Band.

Pictured (bottom right) at the start of the procession are, holding the banner, Assistant David Mann, and Mark Goodwin, RICS Director of External Affairs; The Gherkin (AKA Trident's Roger Watts) Big Ben (RICS Special Adviser Luay Al-Khatib, with daughter Layla), The BT Tower (Glen Eve) and RICS Senior Brand Manager and occasional St. Paul's Cathedral, Julia Kamoda and David Foulkes of RICS Corporate Management.

Assistant Roger Watts & Mark Goodwin - RICS

FRIENDS & FAMILY DINNER AT THE MANSION HOUSE

On Monday, 13th June, a Friends & Family Dinner was held at The Mansion House by kind permission of The Lord Mayor, Alderman Michael Bear, who we are also privileged to have on the Court of the Company.

We were also delighted to have the company of the Lady Mayoress, the Master, Robert Bould, the Senior Warden, Mrs Mickola Wilson, the Junior Warden, Mr Roger Southam, together with the Clerk. Almost 250 attended the function which was held in the famous "Great Egyptian Hall", with its giant columns which, we were informed by the Master, dates back to 1750s.



The Lord Mayor's Show - A family affair.



Below. The pageantry of The Lord Mayors Show



Above: Friends and Family Dinner at The Mansion House.

Sir Philip Hampton, who is Chairman of the Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc, replied on behalf of the guests and gave us some insight into the current banking difficulties.

Masters of other Livery Companies who attended as guests, included the Master Loriner, the Master Plaisterer, the Master Engineer, the Master Pavior and the Master Security Professional.

It was a special occasion for the Father of the Company of Chartered Surveyors, Professor Alan Gillett, who was presented with a gift in recognition of his service to the Company for 35 years and the second Master of the Company.

It was an excellent evening with a number of the Liverymen's families present. It was good to see a younger element well represented! We were entertained during the dinner by the Orchestra of the Honourable Artillery Company and we were 'guarded' by several Pikemen and Musketeers of the HAC in their full regalia being the Lord Mayor of London's Body Guard.

All were privileged to be at the Mansion House and in the same room where, just two days before, the annual speech had been given by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the state of the economy.

Liveryman Tony How

CHARTERED SURVEYORS' LIVERY CAROL SERVICE 2010

For many years, the family carol service has been led by the RICS Singers. This year was no exception. However, for the first time they were under the direction of

Liveryman Bill Gloyn. He took over that role from Clifford Dann, one of the founders of the Singers some 32 years ago, who passed on the baton to Bill in the Autumn.

The Singers were in fine form and included Robert Peto, the RICS President, who had been so impressed with their contribution to the RICS Remembrance Service that he wanted to join. In fact, all singing members of the Livery would be welcome. There are a number of interesting events at which the Singers will perform during this year – including the Lord Mayor's Property and Construction dinner at the Mansion House.

The service, which was full of old favourites, was brilliantly accompanied on the organ by Liveryman Nigel Waring. The thought-provoking address was given by our Chaplain, The Reverend John Kronenberg, so it was a real Company event.

The evening started Christmas off in a very fine way. That may have had something to do with the excellent hospitality that The Master provided in his Cheapside office – just a short walk away from St Lawrence Jewry, the City civic church, hard by Guildhall.

Members of the Livery should make a note of this year's service now - Thursday 15th December 2011; same place, same time and same musicians. However, it wouldn't be the same without you, your families and friends - so come and join in!

Liveryman Bill Gloyn

For more information about the RICS Singers contact Bill at bill_gloyn@jltgroup.com

THE OLD BAILEY VISIT

On 24th May 2011 the newly formed Surveyors Freeman Society enjoyed its memorable launch at the Old Bailey.

The Master of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors, together with the Clerk and members of the Court in fine style, laid on drinks and canapés for the founder members of the SFS.

We were privileged to be addressed by the highly amusing Charles Henty, Under Sheriff and Secondary of London, and High Bailiff who runs the Old Bailey with military precision.

He took us on a whistle stop tour through the history of the Central Criminal Court from its origin as the fortified Roman West Gate to the City, that was renamed in the 12th Century the New Gate and later became the Newgate Prison. He explained that until the 18th Century, in excess of 50,000 prisoners had been sent by cart to Tyburn (Oxford Street) for hanging but thereafter the public executions took place outside of the gates of what is now the Old Bailey.

Speeding through the labyrinth of corridors and tunnels, we visited the cells, before a brief respite in the dark and forbidding Court Number 1, where some of the Country's most notorious murderers have been tried including Crippen, Christie and more recently, Ian Huntley.

The members of the Court sat in the dock whilst the Master jestfully banged his judge's gavel, before sentencing.

An altogether brilliant start.

When the evening concluded, the Master announced that thanks to the good graces of James Young at Cushman and Wakefield, the second educational and social event had been organised. This took place on Wednesday 29th June at 6pm in the form of a visit to the Bank of England followed by the cheerful clink of glasses in the Woolpack, Finch Lane.

Liveryman Tony Joyce, Chairman of the Surveyors Freeman Society



EWELL RESERVISTS ARE HONOURED FOR THEIR OPERATIONAL SERVICE

The Worshipful Company of Surveyors, in formal recognition of 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers' (V) operational contributions, presented the Unit with an Operational Mobilisation Tour Nominal Role brass plaque.

The 'board of honour', as it is affectionately known, lists every reservist from the Squadron who has been deployed overseas since 1990, the start of the First Gulf War. Unveiling the plaque, Mr Robert Bould FRICS, Master of the Worshipful Company of Surveyors said "Our relationship with the Squadron dates back to the start of our Livery in 1977 and we could not miss the opportunity to provide our support in a tangible and meaningful way."

Major Michael James, Officer Commanding 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers (V) thanked the Worshipful Company for their very generous contribution to the Squadron. He said "The plaque looks splendid and honours well all of the TA soldiers who have volunteered to serve their country and risk their lives on operations overseas. As a Squadron we have deployed 41 personnel and we have a further 2 soldiers mobilised to deploy at the end of September."

Currently, members of the Squadron have been and are working alongside their Regiment helping to supply maps to the NATO troops in Afghanistan.

Assistant Mark Larard

THE ENDEAVOUR AWARD

Sergeant Jerome Batterbee of 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers (V), based in Ewell, Surrey, was awarded the prestigious Squadron Endeavour Award 2011. This is presented annually to the individual who has given outstanding and loyal support to the Squadron, whilst participating and contributing to a variety of activities throughout the training year. The Award has been sponsored by our Company for the past thirty years and was presented by the Company's Master, Robert Bould.

Robert Bould was delighted to present the Endeavour Award to such a worthy recipient, saying "It is my pleasure to award this year's Endeavour Award to Sergeant Jerome Batterbee. He exemplifies all that is good about a reservist and with his devotion and diligence continues the long tradition of excellence that we have come to expect from 135."

Sergeant Batterbee has had a very distinguished TA career including a deployment to Iraq in 2003 on Operation Telic 1 with 28 Amphibious Engineer Regiment as well as a two year detachment to the Recruit Training Centre at Malta Barracks where he has been able to pass on his wealth of experience to the TA recruits. "I joined the TA when I was 19 years old and so the TA has been a big part of my adult-life."



Above:
Major Michael James, Officer Commanding 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers (V) and Mr Robert Bould FRICS, Master of the Worshipful Company of Surveyors who donated the brass Operational Mobilisation Tour Nominal Role.

Below:
Sergeant Jerome Batterbee receives the 135 Independent Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers (V) Endeavour Award 2011 from Mr Robert Bould FRICS, Master of the Worshipful Company of Surveyors who donated the silver trophy.



he said. "I'm very honoured and humbled to receive this award which is real recognition from my peers and superiors of the contribution that I make to the Squadron".

Assistant Mark Larard

INTER-LIVERY BOWLING COMPETITION

The Basket Weavers established this competition ... the Glovers Company threw down their gauntlet ... the Surveyors topped the leader board, with the result a stitch up by the Haberdashers Company! Any team entering this competition with two David Reynolds had to be favourites!

Quietly confident of their ability to out bowl the Livery competition, we took to lane 3. Slick ball Southam (149) led the playing order with fine strikes and true style, with Richard Carter (138) close on his tail; a great team effort by all was achieved, spurred on by encouraging words from the Glovers Company team leader!

Our score card completed, we eagerly awaited the results, only to be pipped into second place by the Haberdashers, whose team also included the top scorer of the night (179). This came as a surprise not only to us, but also to the actual recipient of the award as he didn't actually bowl a single ball having arrived at the venue only 10 minutes before the actual awards presentation?!!

This result only goes to encourage our participation in next year's event and determination to rightly claim what was in our grasp! See you there!!

Liveryman David Reynolds

A CELEBRATION OF MUSIC

A great evening was had by all.

Some may have found the music slightly eclectic but the majority enjoyed themselves and/or will remember the experience.

On a sunny evening in March, 300+ Liverymen and their guests squeezed into Christ Church, Spitalfields to listen to a concert staged by students from the Guildhall School of Music & Drama. Having taken their seats (not an easy task for the organisers to achieve!) the audience were entertained by the beautiful sound of lutes, guitars and recorders playing a selection of 'gems' from the Elizabethan and Jacobean eras.

To the surprise of many the recorders were somewhat different from those we might have played at school. Varying in length from 10 centimetres to 2 metres, they provided a surprising range of musical colours and timbres.

After a most convivial interval enjoying a glass of sparkling wine and excellent canapés, the audience settled back to listen to a scene from Purcell's 'Fairy Queen' and Britten's 'Midsummer Night's Dream' - an excellent complement to the music in Part One.

The evening was the principle fund raising event in aid of The Rt.Hon., The Lord Mayor, Alderman Bear's Appeal, Bear Necessities - Building Better Lives. Setting ourselves a target of raising £20,000, we were delighted to reach a final figure of just over £26,000!

Our thanks go to Vinci Construction UK and British Land, who sponsored the interval refreshments and music respectively and the many supporters who took advertisements in the souvenir brochure. But in particular, we must thank you, the Liverymen, who came to the evening and brought your guests. Without you the evening would not have been the success it was - and the church would have been empty!

Past Master Simon Kolesar

CUTLERS CHARITY LUNCHEON

The Mistress Cutler, Mrs Marianne Prynn, kindly invited me to a charity luncheon which was held at The Cutlers Hall in Warwick Lane on 26th May in aid of Gardening Leave.

This is a charity started by Anna Baker Cresswell in 2007 with the aim of improving the mental and physical wellbeing of ex-Service personnel using horticultural therapy. The charity runs projects throughout the UK providing veterans with the opportunity to participate in growing fruit and vegetables in a peaceful and unpressurised environment, the latest garden having just opened at The Royal Hospital Chelsea in April of this year.

Being a keen gardener myself, I was delighted to accept and enjoyed a guided tour of Cutlers' Hall viewing the Company's collections of cutlery and City regalia including its well stocked wine cellar.

The Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs' consorts were the principle guests and a short talk was given by Brigadier David Chaundler OBE who is both a trustee of Gardening Leave and a Past Master of the Broderers' Company.

The Cutlers' Hall remains one of my favourites and I do hope that I get another opportunity to visit.

The Master's Lady, Mrs Jenna Bould

THANKS FROM THE EDITOR

I am standing down after three years as Editor of the Court Circular and handing the reins over to Assistant Roger Watts. My thanks go to all the contributors for their efforts and the professionalism of Paul Berry of 180 Degrees, our publishers.

Assistant Graham Chase



An Aston Martin begins the invasion of Libya!

TRAVELS AND TRIBULATIONS AROUND THE MEDITERRANEAN IN A CLASSIC ASTON MARTIN

The Lansdowne Club was a fitting venue for the 60 or so Liverymen and their guests who met in March to listen to an entertaining talk by liveryman, Roger Carey, on his adventurous journey through 17 countries around the Mediterranean in a classic Aston Martin.

Fifteen classic cars plus four 4 x 4 back up vehicles followed a figure of eight route round the Mediterranean. They started from Portsmouth with a ferry crossing to Santander, through Spain and on to Morocco before re-crossing to Spain and then driving through France and Italy, crossing back from Sicily to Tunisia and then along the North African coast via Libya and Egypt to the middle east and on through Turkey and Greece, returning via the Balkans and finishing in Reims, France.

The talk focused on the North African and middle eastern countries and Roger commented on how fortunate the travellers were to have made their journey just before the start of the 'Arab Spring'. These countries were changing, hopefully for the better, but Roger remarked that it was likely to be some time before rallies of this nature would pass through them again.

The adventure took 63 days and covered 12,500 miles but despite desert sand storms, arduous driving conditions and some mechanical problems, all drivers and cars completed the journey in good condition!

Liveryman Julian Smith

Below - More walking buildings - iconic modern and old!



Which is the real St. Paul's?

THE COURT AND COMMITTEES 2011-2012

THE COURT

Mickola Wilson - Master
 Roger Southam - Senior Warden
 Elizabeth Edwards - Junior Warden
 David Barratt
 The Rt Hon The Lord Mayor, Alderman Michael Bear
 Rob Bould
 James Bryer
 Daniel Carter
 Richard Carter
 Graham Chase
 Richard Cotton
 Lady Davies
 Digby Flower
 William Hill
 Laurence Johnstone
 Tony Joyce
 Simon Kolesar
 Mark Larard
 David Larkin
 David Mann
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 Duncan Moss
 Duncan Preston
 Janie Strange
 David Tuffin
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 Simon Waugh
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Elizabeth Edwards (Junior Warden & Chairman)
 Mickola Wilson (Master)
 Roger Southam (Senior Warden)
 Rob Bould (Immediate Past Master)
 William Hill
 John Woodman

Elections Committee

David Tuffin (Chairman)
 Mickola Wilson (Master)
 Roger Southam (Senior Warden)
 Elizabeth Edwards (Junior Warden)
 Rob Bould (Immediate Past Master)
 David Barratt
 Duncan Preston
 Jenna Davies
 Elizabeth Peace

New Members :

Clywd Roberts Ray Palmer Martin Jepson Lorraine Baldry Dougie Lawson Rev John Kronenberg (Honorary Chaplain)
 John Dunford William Jewson Robert Keatley Charles Maudsley Alan Collett Alistair Subba Row Ian McRae Ian Marcus
 Timothy Stotesbury Antonia Belcher Ray Hatchard Tim Sketchley Roger Keys Kevin Stimpson Peter Bill Mark Penson

Deaths: Former Beadle George Leeson MBE Past Master Noel Taylor

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 Andrew Martin
 John Fenner
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 Nicholas Swabey
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 Elizabeth Edwards (Junior Warden)
 Mark Larard
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 Simon Camamile

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Tony Joyce (Chairman)
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 Ken Morgan
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Most information about the Company, its activities and members of the Livery can be found on the website at www.surveyorslivery.com

Any Liveryman or Freeman who is interested in becoming involved with the organisation of the Company and the work of the Committees should contact the Clerk, Amanda Jackson.



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 David Barratt

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 David Larkin
 Laurence Johnstone

From the Master Elect

'A great honour'



Mickola Wilson, Master Elect.

To serve as Master of the Chartered Surveyors' Company for the coming year is a great honour and I am particularly looking forward to working with the Wardens and the Court in fulfilling this great tradition.

As the second Lady Master to the Company, I am delighted to be following in the footsteps of so many eminent members of the surveying profession for the coming year, and none more so than Delva Patman, our first Lady Master ten years ago. It is a sign of modern times that it will not be so long before we see another lady step up to the chair.

I must start with very special congratulations to the Master, Rob Bould, and his wife Jenna for an exceptional year of events and fund raising, dovetailing with Lord Mayor Michael Bear's year in office.

The Lord Mayor is a member of the Chartered Surveyors' Livery and it has been a pleasure and a triumph to support 'one of our own' throughout the year - The Master and his fund raising team headed by Past Master Laurence Johnstone have worked tirelessly in support of the Lord Mayor's two charities and have achieved a magnificent contribution to both, by our Company.

After such a 'full on' period of events and fund raising, the Wardens and I are planning a more traditional year with the focus a little closer to home, specifically on livery members and our own charities especially the bursary scheme. The aims for the year reflect the core values of the Livery, namely fellowship, education and charitable giving.

The Junior Warden, Roger Southam, and his team have kindly prepared proposals for the new business plan with the principle aim of ensuring that the Company rightly takes its place as a leading organisation in the property industry.

One of the key initiatives for the next twelve months is to promote fellowship amongst Livery members. When the company was founded 35 years ago, the Livery was something of a club drawn from the senior members of the top agencies in the City and everybody knew everybody. Today, the membership is far more broadly based, including representatives from all walks of the surveying profession, and has recently been extended to include members drawn from the property industry but who are not chartered surveyors. We have also seen the start of the Freemans Group aimed at younger participation. As a result, Liverymen and even Court members do not necessarily come across each other in their working lives. So we are looking to promote a 'getting to know you' programme which helps Liverymen to benefit from the long term relationships and the companionship that the Livery can provide to members.

My year starts in the middle of the Rugby World Cup and goes into the Olympic year of 2012, so of course

a key theme for the year must be sport – especially team sports. The property industry has always been strongly associated with team sports and consequently it is in the nature of our industry to work in teams adopting a healthy but competitive spirit.

The Olympics offer a number of positive links and parallels with our Company:-
A world class set of venues, including the Olympic stadium, have been constructed without drama and within timescales; a testament to the skills and professionalism of the construction and property industry.

London will be seen by huge numbers around the world, both on TV and in person, showing our great city to its best and perhaps helping to attract potential investors and professionals.

An opportunity for the legacy left by the Olympics to provide a lasting benefit, with property professionals providing new functions and uses for the Olympic buildings after the games.

This sporting theme will be reflected in the programme of events for the year and, as Master, I wish to add my personal support to a charity associated with bringing sports within the reach of disadvantaged children - the DKH Legacy Trust, whose mission is to 'create life chances for young people'.

As Chairman of the Education committee for the last two years, I have been closely involved in the development of the Company's relationship with the four London schools and this will continue to be a central part of the Company's activities for the year to come.

The Bursary scheme has continued to expand and will be the beneficiary of the main fund raising event for the year – a sponsored run up the Heron Tower in the City of London, taking place in February. I am not sure if that counts as sport or torture but I would encourage all the Livery to take part as a spectator, sponsor or one of the runners.

My husband Richard, and our two children are looking forward to my year in office and having thrown themselves off the side of a building last year, now seem willing to run up a tower block, all in a good cause and for a beer at the end.

I would like to also thank my professional colleagues, and particularly, Brett Robinson of Seven Dials, for the support they have given me during my year as Senior Warden and their enthusiasm for the year ahead.

I am especially delighted to be working with the support of the Senior Warden, Roger Southam, my friend and former colleague Junior Warden Elizabeth Edwards and the Clerk, Amanda Jackson. I am sure that together we will be able to fulfil the aims for this year and beyond.

Master Elect, Mickola Wilson

Events for 2011/12

Some notes for your diary

Tuesday 18th October 2011
Installation Dinner - Fishmongers' Hall

Saturday 12th November 2011
Lord Mayors Show

Thursday 15th December 2011
Carol Service - St. Lawrence Jewry

Monday 23rd January 2012
Quarterly Court Meeting - Guildhall

Thursday 23rd February 2012
'Tower Running Event' - Heron Tower, Bishopsgate, EC3

Monday 12th March 2012
Inter-Livery Swimathon

Monday 19th March 2012
Spring Livery Dinner - Vintners' Hall

Friday 23rd March 2012
United Guilds Service - St. Paul's

Mid May 2012
Croquet at Hurlingham

Tuesday 23rd May 2012
GSM Music Competition

June 2012
Visit to Stratford-upon-Avon

Monday 11th June 2012
Ladies Banquet - Tallow Chandlers' Hall

Monday 25th June 2012
Election of Sheriffs - Guildhall

Thursday 5th July 2012
Court & Livery Lunch - Watermans' Hall

Monday 1st October 2012
Election of Lord Mayor - Guildhall

October 2012
Ballet Evening - Central School of Ballet

Monday 15th October 2012
Installation Dinner