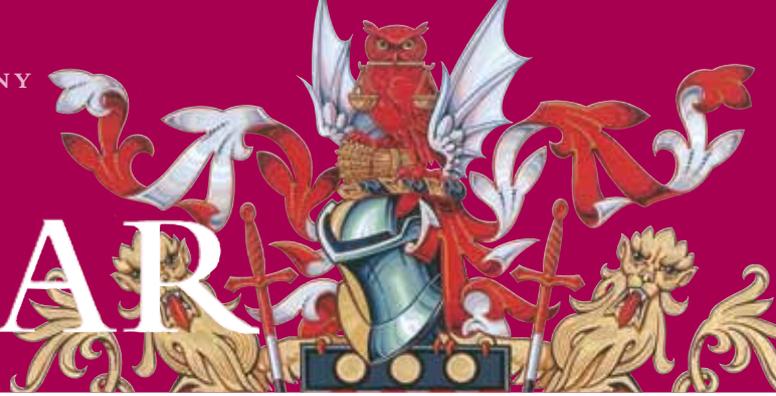


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THE MASTER'S REPORT

"Charity begins at home..."



Mickola Wilson, Master

After a triumphant year for Past Master Bold and the support for The Lord Mayor Sir Michael Bear, the plan was to have a quiet year concentrating on the aims of the Livery to support its charitable activities and with a focus on the membership .

As with all best laid plans, that is not quite how it has worked out, first of all there was the Diamond Jubilee celebrations and then the Olympic Games and, in our own quiet way, the Livery has been involved in both these national events.

In June, the Chartered Surveyors, along with most of the other City Livery Companies, invited the Queen and the Royal Family to Westminster Hall for a luncheon to celebrate her Diamond Jubilee. It was a delightful occasion, done in style as you would expect from the Livery. Once we had all assembled, well in advance of our special guests, the champagne flowed and there was a wonderful spirit of fellowship and good humour. At the request of the Grand Lord Chamberlain, our guests for the lunch were drawn from the wider community. The Surveyors invited a pupil from Robert Clack School, Liz Sims the Headmistress of Archbishop Tenison's School, one of our apprentices from CSTT, an officer from each of our affiliated services and the curator from the Ironbridge museum. The Senior Warden, the Junior Warden and I were host to one of the most special events of the celebrations and in a break with convention there was no top table and the Royal Family each sat on one of the Livery tables, which made for a very informal and relaxed atmosphere. The Queen was excused from making a speech but The Master of the Mercers, Tom Sheldon, made a most inspiring speech concluding with the words "Your Majesty, I can think of no single individual who embodies duty, service and goodness as you do".

Although there were no formal events for the Olympics, in August the whole nation became enthralled by the excitement of the competition and, for those who had come on our tours of the Olympic Village earlier in my year, we were able to see the finished park in all its glory and celebrate the triumphs of Team GB.

In what is now becoming an annual event, members of the Livery and others attended Archbishop Tenison's career day and provided interview practice for over 60 boys in year 10. As much of a challenge for the interviewers as the boys, we explored their strengths and weaknesses, their aims for the future

and their interests, which majored on football and music. My special thanks goes to John Fenner for all his tireless hard work in putting this together and his continued support of our school programme which I know is greatly appreciated by staff and pupils.

One of the innovations we introduced this year was that, instead of having a further dinner, we had a drinks party at the East India Club, attended by members of the Livery and guests who might be interested in joining the Livery. It was extremely well received and the guests heard a dynamic talk from our guest speaker, Chris Moon. Disabled during his time in the army, he is not daunted and undertakes marathons and other sporting events just to prove that losing ones limbs is no obstacle if you are determined to succeed in life.

I am also delighted to report that the Surveyors Freeman's Society, which was established last year, is thriving and they have been meeting for their own series of events, which included a visit to the Old Bailey, giving us a fascinating and salacious insight into the workings of the Central Criminal Court .

My heartfelt thanks goes to Laurence Johnstone who undertook the onerous task of leading the fund raising committee. Laurence and his team have raised an amazing £75,000 for the Company's Charitable trust, which is a great achievement in these difficult economic times.

And just to show that all the time and effort by Livery members will go to a good cause, I am pleased to report on what I feel is the major achievement of my year as Master, which is the decision by the Court to increase the giving to the CSTT. The CSTT was founded by the Company over 25 years ago and its purpose is to organise the apprenticeship schemes for young people who wish to train in the property field but whose personal circumstances prevent them from following the usual route through full time university. There has never been a time when support for these young people has been so important, with the increase in university fees forcing many to find an alternative way to train while working. I am delighted to report that the scheme is also finding favour with employers and the additional support of the Charitable Trust will enable the scheme to increase the number of trainees from 30 to over three times that in future. Christina Hirst, the CEO of CSTT, is a wonderfully enthusiastic asset to the scheme and we wish her and her team every success in their plans.

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As my year draws to a close, there are so many people I have to thank for their help and support to the Livery and to me personally, during what has been a most enjoyable but also challenging year. Foremost of all my thanks go to Amanda, our Clerk, while the triumph of organisation over the chaos which is created by a bunch of surveyors is second nature after so many years in the job, she still manages to bring enthusiasm and humour to the task and she has become a very special friend during my time as Master.

Equally, I must thank my husband and children for their help and time in attending functions and participating in some of our charitable events including raising a very respectable sum from their run up the Heron Tower. Although it is with some relief that Richard will hand on the mantle of being the Master's mistress to become the Past Master's master again.

Lastly, I would like to thank both the Senior Warden and the Junior Warden for their support during the year and especially their input to the CSTT initiative, which I know will continue to thrive in their years as Master.

I hope you are all ready for the roller coaster ride which Roger has planned for us from October and I am delighted to be handing on the Company to such an enthusiastic and youthful team.
Mickola Wilson. Master 2011/2012

THE PROPERTY MARKETING AWARDS 2012

The 20th Property Marketing Awards (PMA) were held this year in the cinema style screening room within the boutique Soho Hotel.

The PMA Awards, which are run by The Chartered Surveyors' Company in partnership with estatesgazette.com, are designed to recognise innovation, creativity and the success of marketing campaigns in the property business.

The Master, Mickola Wilson, praised the high standard of entries for the awards this year and contrasted property marketing today with 20 years ago, when the awards began. She said: "The objective of the awards is to raise the standard of the scruffy marketing materials that we saw too often 20 years ago. There is no comparison to what we have today, which includes fabulous brochures and wonderful online material."

The celebrity speaker for the awards was former England rugby union prop forward, Jason Leonard, who told the audience that as well as being a rugby player he is a professional carpenter.

Interior design and development management company, Candy & Candy were the 'best of the best' at this year's Property Marketing Awards, picking up the Victor Ludorum for outstanding contribution. The team impressed the panel of industry experts with their 'superior design quality and polished edge'

also winning the awards for Best Digital Campaign for their One Hyde Park Scheme, as well as the award for Best In-House Marketing Team.

The winners of the Property Marketing Awards 2012 were:

Best Overall Marketing Campaign Offices
 Sutton Young
 Kings Cross

Best Overall Marketing Campaign Retail & Leisure
 Underscore
 Duke of York Square - Enjoy Life

Best Overall Marketing Campaign Residential
 Cathedral (Clapham) Ltd
 The New Clapham

Best Overall Marketing Campaign Investment/Fund Manager
 Sutton Young
 Regent Street

Best Corporate Website
 Sector Light
 The Shard

Best Digital Campaign
 Candy & Candy
 OneHydePark

Property Advisor or Property Company
 Duncan Lamb and Siren Design
 H250 Corporate Marketing Campaign

Corporate Research
 Knight Frank
 London 2016

In-house Marketing Team
 Candy & Candy

Independent Design Marketing & Advertising or PR Agency
 Sutton Young

Victor Ludorum
 Candy & Candy

Madam Liveryman Rachel Puzey

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The Finance and General Purposes Committee looks after the Company's finances, covering the Company as well as the monies made available for our Charitable purposes. The Committee meets three times during the Master's year, at which Schroders our Fund Managers are present, as well as our Auditor, James Harman. In addition to our scheduled meetings, I have attended a number of briefings held by Schroders at their offices.

Following on from last year's tough budget, this year's was set against a tight set of requirements, not



Above. Jason Leonard presented prizes at the Property Marketing Awards



Above. Property Marketing Award ceremony at Soho Hotel

least static income for the year 2011/2012. In terms of Investment returns, the Company has managed to weather the storms of the ongoing financial crisis and at the year ending 30.6.2012, the market value of the portfolio stood at £293,539. This showed a slight increase (3%) in value over the last 12 months. The portfolio produced income of £8,443 which shows a yield of 2.9%. Schroders have taken a protective position on our investments due to volatility in the world markets and prevailing low interest rates, thus preferring to invest in UK equities rather than gilts.

Financially, I would like to report that the Company is in good shape, however we are constantly looking at ways of increasing income and the fund-raising efforts spearheaded by Past Master Laurence Johnstone has assisted in boosting the Bursary fund and other charitable giving. In terms of reducing costs, we are looking at cutting down on our postal charges by encouraging the use of email for both letters from the Master and Clerk as well as the Court Circular. Postal charges are one of our major outgoings and not an efficient use of our resources, although we do understand that a number of Liverymen prefer to receive documents rather than electronic versions and they may still receive documents through the Post. We hope to implement these changes during the coming year.

As always, I would like to thank the Committee for its contribution during a difficult financial year, especially our auditor James Harman and Schroders, who have been exemplary and always on hand to answer our questions.

**Junior Warden, Elizabeth Edwards
 Chairman of F & G P Committee**

CHARITABLE BOARD

It's been another busy and rewarding year for the Charitable Board with our support for other charitable causes going from strength to strength.

Our invested charitable funds, as at the end of June, sat at £1.345m, an impressive figure given the charity's beginning only dates back to 1977.

The role of fund raising for the Charitable Trust has fallen to a separate committee and for the last 3 years this has been under the stewardship of Past Master Laurence Johnstone. Yet again, they have had a wonderful year thanks to the generosity of the many Liverymen and families who get involved. Aside from the very successful Tower Run and Property Marketing Awards reported on separately, collections at the Installation Dinner, the carol concert and the 'getting to know you' cocktail party have added to proceeds raised from the Swimathon (£6,300) and the most important annual donations by individual Liverymen with quarterage and through regular giving. In all, we look set to exceed our £75,000 target for this year.

As well as a very good year of fundraising we finish the financial year having been able to significantly

support a number of causes. As always our focus is education and youth. Our charitable funds continue to support our educational initiatives through the day to day work of the education committee and the four London schools we have associations with. As well as the regular activities the funds support we have continued to fund bursaries for a final year student from each of the schools going on to university and this years £18,000 is helping 12 students through their studies. We know through feedback from the students how important this help has been and we continue to build the Bursary Fund to ensure the longevity of this giving. In addition to these initiatives we have, for the past three years, been giving £10,000 pa to Archbishop Tenison's School for support of a music programme there and I am pleased to record the Charitable Board and Court have agreed to extend this by a further three years, such is the impact this help is having at the school.

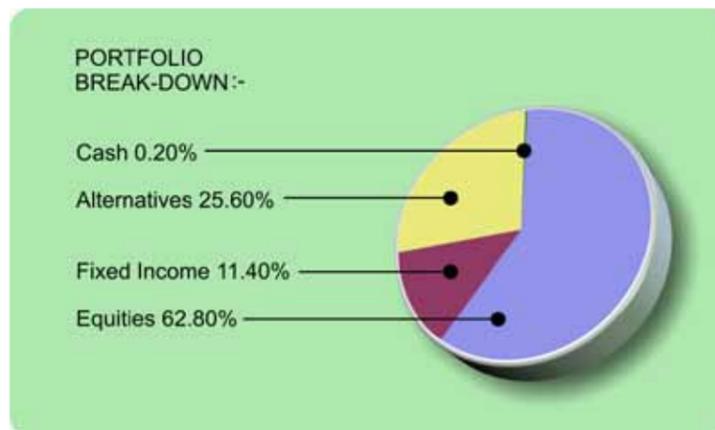
Continuing on the educational side we have again given a bursary to a student at the Guildhall School of Music (£3,000) as well as support for their annual competition. We should not, of course, forget the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust, first set up by this Company which we have supported this year with a £7,500 donation. The support for this by the Trust has always been at the forefront and going forward for the next three years it has been decided this should be the main beneficiary of the Trust's giving to support their expansion and the excellent alternative route it offers into our profession. We have agreed to underwrite up to £50,000 pa to help CSTT build their apprenticeship programme, an exciting prospect for them and for us being able to be part of delivering opportunity to some who may not normally have had that chance.

In the 2011/2012 year we have also agreed to make a donation of £7,500 to Ironbridge, the fabulous World Heritage site in Shropshire for restoration and improvement works to the Estate Office, part of the site the Company has been long associated with. Our support will continue over the next three years with a further £2,500 pa.

Lastly, of our more significant giving we were able this year to support the Leaside Trust with a donation of £10,000. The Trust operates in a deprived area of London but seeks to encourage as many youngsters as possible to see the benefits of education, leadership and ambition through a series of outdoor and educational activities.

Moving into the 2012/2013 year the support of Liverymen for the Trust will be as important as ever. The fundraising committee is going to be working hard to support our agreed giving of nearly £100,000 so please watch out for events you can get involved in but also don't forget the opportunity to give a regular or one off donation.

**Assistant Ken Morgan, Chairman,
 Charitable Board**



EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Over the past 12 months The Education Committee has increased the level of commitment and support for the four schools of Archbishop Tenison's, St Saviour's and St Olave's, Central Foundation Girls and Robert Clack. This includes new mentoring arrangements developed by liveryman John Fenner and a new approach to school liaison promoted by our hard working Clerk, Amanda Jackson. The Education Committee has approved a full set of bursaries at all the schools and has extended major funding for music provision at Archbishops Tenison's School for a further three years.

The most notable achievement has been the entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Company and the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust with financial support over the next three years to secure CSTT's financial future and a base from which it may expand its business and meet the increasing demand for its services. The agreement has provided the Company with its first formal apprenticeship scheme, an aspiration which has been outstanding for many years but which is now finally a reality. The arrangements will ensure that CSTT concentrates on supporting apprentices and seeking suitable appointments from employers with the company taking on responsibility for fund raising and promotion.

As Chairman of the Committee I would like to thank the Master, Mickola Wilson, Chairman of the Charitable Board, Assistant Ken Morgan, the Clerk Amanda Jackson, Christina Hirst as CEO of CSTT, Richard Carter Chairman of CSTT, William Hill and Duncan Moss for all their efforts in finalising this important arrangement and finally my thanks to the Court for their support, energy and enthusiasm on this ground breaking initiative.

Junior Warden Graham Chase, Chairman of The Education Committee

INSTALLATION DINNER

There are few Livery Halls in the City which equal the location and splendour of The Fishmongers Hall. It was only appropriate therefore that this should be the venue for the Installation Dinner for our 35th and only the second lady Master of the Livery Company, Mrs Mickola Wilson.

It is hard to believe that ten years have passed since our first lady Master Delva Patman took the chair.

A most marvellous evening of ceremony awaited us.

As this is the year of the London Olympics, one of the themes of the new Master is sport in its widest context and we were treated to an evening with a sports related theme.

Our first interlude was a medley of three sporting songs including Swing Low Sweet Chariot and Jerusalem delivered with absolute quality and assurance by three young choristers from The

Guildhall School of Music.

The toast was proposed by Ian Marcus an old friend of the Master and Liveryman but more particularly known for his sporting prowess. He suggested that England's rugby failure was all his fault but we were certain that was not the case. Whilst Ian admitted to commencing his sporting career using a round ball at Bournemouth and Southend it is of course with the rugby ball that he is better known. For the gentlemen of the audience it is always great to be regaled with the misdemeanours of our sporting legends. However, Ian did also impress upon us the fact that the Livery Company works as a team in many of the same ways as a rugby team and this remains central to The Livery Company's success.

The new Master then introduced Lorraine Baldry to reply on behalf of the guests. Lorraine is also a Liveryman but more particularly Chair of the Olympic Delivery Committee and as such very much at the front end of organising this year's Games. I think we were all a bit thrown by her comments that The Chipmunks should be used to promote the ladies volleyball until we realised that she was in fact referring to the Chippendales. Either way it was a great idea.

Lorraine described herself as an entrepreneur which fits well with her role on the Legacy Committee. She admitted to being a good teacher but a bad learner. This was perhaps best illustrated by the fact that she was persuaded to lend Ian Marcus £5 for the raffle! Lorraine provided us with some fascinating facts about the Olympics. Her view that it was more to do with sex rather than sports perhaps being the most forthright but perhaps appropriate given that married women could not even watch the Games until 1886 and did not take part until 1900 when they received paintings rather than medals. Another surprising fact was that the medals were made in solid gold in 1904. More impressive, however, was how the Games have grown over the years.

Put into context of how successful the Olympic venue will be, the delivery committee has provided Buildings and infrastructure twice the size of Terminal 5 at Heathrow in half the time.

All in all this was a fabulous evening with great food and speakers. It rather set the scene for the Masters' year.

Assistant Roger Watts

LIVERY CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Medieval stones of St Lawrence Jewry echoed to music, Anthems, readings and prayers of Liverymen and their guests at their Service of Lessons and Carols in December.

As the winter's night closed in, Damon Emes, Trumpeter and Chartered Surveyor, began the service with Liveryman, Nigel Waring, playing an uplifting organ trumpet recital of "Away in a Manger"



Above. The Livery Shooting Party

Below. Madam Liveryman Lorraine Baldry and guests at The Installation Dinner



Below. The Installation Dinner.



The church was packed and included scholars from Robert Clack School, supported by the Company, who read one of the lessons, other readers included Master, Mickola Wilson, and the wonderful Betjamen poem, "Christmas" read by the Clerk, Amanda Jackson.

Music kept filling the church, Anthems were sung by "The RICS Singers" led by Liveryman, Bill Gloyne, who also led us with "The Little Drummer Boy."

In a world where we all need true hope to live by, The Honorary Chaplain, Rev John Kronenberg, revealed the truth that Christ is that true hope, with a message from Christmas and Advent of hope, calling us to turn away from self interest, towards the needs of others and the love of God.

As the echoes of Carols faded and the Service drew to a close, wine flowed with much festivity and the congregation enjoyed tasty canapés supplied by the Clerk and Cindy Vines, the Clerk's Assistant, a big thank you for making another Merry Christmas for all carolling Liverymen and their guests.

Liveryman Simon Camamile

LADIES DINNER AT TALLOW CHANDLERS' HALL ON 11 JUNE 2012

A sporting theme was always going to be appropriate for an event that immediately followed the 1-1 draw of England and France in the Euros and in the midst of yet another rainy night in London, our Ladies Dinner was fully attended by 100 distinguished guests.

Following pre-dinner drinks in the parlour we assembled in the Hall to greet the Master, Court and other dignitaries.

The Honorary Chaplain, the Rev John Kronenberg, read Grace and, following an excellent meal, all were treated to a dramatic vocal performance by representatives of The Guildhall School of Music, with a medley from West Side Story and operatic duets from Don Giovanni and La Boheme.

The Master's guests were selected not only for their property background and working relationship with the Master but also, in the year of the Olympics, for their strong sporting connections.

Mr Kevin McCabe spoke with passion about his time as Chairman of Sheffield United (The Blades) and about the many nicknames seen in sport and sporting clubs, before presenting the Master with a glass football and club shirt. He then sang a song dedicated to Mickola Wilson.

The Master referred to her experience of working with Mr McCabe and his motto of "get it sorted", mentioning his founding of the Scarborough Group, the sale in 2007 of Teesland and investment in China as well as his well deserved International Fellowship Award.

The Master then spoke about her year to date including the previous week's Jubilee celebrations and in particular the Company's attendance at the Diamond Jubilee lunch in Westminster Hall, with representatives of the Royal Family, selected young people from varying backgrounds and the armed forces. Thanks were given to the Clerk, members of the Court and in particular to her husband Richard as the Master's consort, concierge and mistress. The Master also offered congratulations to Mr Michael Bear on his year as Lord Mayor.

The Master finally introduced her second guest, making mention of their early time together at Southbank and his appearance on TV's The Secret Millionaire.

Mr Nick Leslau spoke about his decisions as an investor in property, but also in sport, mentioning that any decision to "invest" in sport was somewhat grotesque given the likely outcome in financial terms. He took the opportunity of answering his critics for his decision whilst at Notts Forest to refuse to transfer a player, who then went on strike. Despite that experience he was persuaded by Nigel Wray to make a "small" (£2 million) investment in the Saracens Rugby Club with the assurance that this would be all that was required. Mr Leslau admitted that he would never divulge the eventual level of his personal investment but offered as justification the joy and pleasure of being able to interact with the team and the players, who he still considers to be his heroes.

The guests then followed the Master and Court from the Hall for a final stirrup cup before once again turning to face the elements.

Liveryman Mark Penson

INTER LIVERY CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING COMPETITION

It is hard to believe that in the wettest summer for many years there was one day of sunshine. By luck this occurred on the day of the Annual Inter Livery Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition. This was held in May at Holland & Holland and in attendance were some 96 Livery Company teams consisting of nearly 900 Liverymen. The Chartered Surveyors Company entered three teams and, despite their pessimism, even the B and C teams turned in excellent performances. The B team finishing in 36th place and the C team in 51st. However, many congratulations need to be given to the Chartered Surveyors A team consisting of Liverymen Flowers and Miles and Assistants Tuffin and Woodman. The A team finished in 8th position with a score of 301. In so doing, this team beat a number of the ever strong Gun Makers Company teams. However, it is the performance of Assistant Tuffin which demands special praise. David finished 9th overall and in so doing beat many well known UK shooters. We all watched and it didn't look like a fluke or fixed!

Thanks must be given to Past Master Lamden for his able organisation. Given the success of the event it is hoped that new members might be persuaded to take part next year.

Assistant Roger Watts

NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CHARTERED SURVEYORS TRAINING TRUST

As many will be aware, just over 25 years ago the Chartered Surveyors Company formed the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust (CSTT) to support disadvantaged young people to start a career in surveying. 25 years on, and now as an independent Charity (although working closely with our founders), we continue to do just that and over that time have supported over 600 young people to become surveyors who would not otherwise have been able to do so. As all Charities though, we struggle to raise funds to do everything we would like to do and we are tremendously excited that we have now formed a new strategic funding partnership with the Company to enable us to further our work and to reach out to even more deserving young people.

The CSTT specifically focuses on young people aged 16 to 24 and this age group face some very significant new challenges today. In particular, the increases in University tuition fees to around £9,000 per annum for a surveying degree have brought many additional young people to our door whose families are simply unable to find this level of finance or who personally would be unable to carry the debt that would accrue over future years. These young people and the many others who apply to us are not low achievers or in any way lack the passion we all share for our profession but simply face barriers to starting out. We have been enormously moved by the many stories we hear from those we interview and support and I am very proud of our profession and of the Trust in being able to find them a solution. This year alone we received just over 1,500 applications for surveying apprenticeships, every one from a very deserving young person. Of course, the increase in University fees is not just impacting on young people but also on the recruitment plans of employers. We are receiving increasing interest in apprenticeships from employers of all sizes and from everywhere around England who realise this is a very real alternative or addition to graduate recruitment in order to ensure they do not lose out on those potentially excellent surveyors who simply do not have the financial means to fund University. We believe that these are enormously exciting times of opportunity for the Trust and the partnership with the Company could not come at a better time for us to embrace this and to offer an increasing number of truly life changing opportunities.

Changes in Government support for apprenticeships has also created further opportunities for the Trust and we have been able to secure funding to cover the cost of training for an unlimited number of 16, 17 or 18 year old apprentices. We are also able to support 19 to 24 year olds but our numbers are capped for this age group. The Government funding for our young group of apprentices allow us to provide fully funded training for all elements of the apprenticeship although this does not cover the

increased overheads we incur hence our need for an additional funding partner. This includes:

- A BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Surveying – studied one day a week in one of our partner Colleges
- A Level 3 National Vocational Qualification in Surveying – gained by the assessment of work based evidence by one of our Chartered Surveyor Assessors
- The RICS Associate assessment – to become an Associate member of the RICS – AssocRICS

Just over 85% of our apprentices complete this programme, a statistic we are very proud of and which was applauded in our recent Ofsted inspection. Of these apprentices 90% then go on to further study on what we call our Managed Student programme which involves part time (one day a week) study on an RICS accredited degree and taking the APC. The Trust's apprenticeship is fully supported by RICS with whom the Trust also has a Memorandum of Understanding and, as agreed with RICS, the apprenticeship provides fast track entry to Year 3 of an RICS degree, leaving 3 further years of study. In effect, therefore, the apprenticeship is a funded option for the first two years of an RICS accredited part time degree.

We are currently supporting around 60 young people, some of whom are on apprenticeships and others on the Managed Student programme. This year we will take on at least another 35 and with the support of the Company we will now look to take on at least 50 apprentices every year with an ever increasing number of Managed Students. With the Company we will increasingly support a high percentage of new entrants to the surveying profession.

The Trust's support starts right from the very beginning in undertaking recruitment, advertising, selection and assessment through matching apprentice attributes to employer requirements to full assessment, mentoring and support throughout the programme and finally to full acknowledgment of their successes at our annual Awards Ceremony. We work with an enormously diverse range of employers, from very small companies to international global organisations. We also work with employer groups and consortium, for example, the Transport for London supply chain partners for whom providing apprenticeships is vital in winning TfL and other public funded projects. Boris Johnson, Mayor of London said of the apprenticeship:

"To reach our target of 100,000 apprenticeships in London, we will need to work with a really broad cross section of employers to make sure there are as many routes as possible for apprentices to find their way into professional jobs. This new apprenticeship scheme, developed by TfL in partnership with business, is great news for budding quantity surveyors and a fantastic example for us to follow in the future."



Above. CSTT apprentices visit the RICS



Left. Anne & Ben - Prize winners at the CSTT annual awards



Above. Livery members take to the water in this years 'Swimathon' held at Woodcote Park in March 2012. The Swimathon has always been held as a charity fundraiser with the Lord Mayor's Appeal being the primary recipient of the funds raised. Sir Brian Hill, whose brainchild this is, estimates that over £500,000 has been raised by participating Livery Companies since he founded the event in 1992.

The Trust works hard to ensure that there is fair and open access to the surveying profession and was pleased to be recognised in the RICS response to the Government's Fair Access to the Professions' Panel.

"RICS supports the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust which seeks out young people from disadvantaged backgrounds and places them with employers, providing extensive mentoring. In our view, the Trust is the sort of initiative that the Government could usefully support and scale up extensively as an exemplar, as it precisely focuses on the Panel's target community."

The apprenticeship was also acknowledged by the Deputy Prime Minister.

Our commitment to fair access is further demonstrated by the Trust's record in ensuring diversity of new entrants to the profession which we can set out in the statistics below.

- 32% of our apprentices are non-white British against property sector average of 8%
- 100% of our apprentices do not hold degrees on joining their employer
- 99% of our apprentices are from state schools
- 65% of our apprentices are from disadvantaged areas of England (related to numbers of children receiving free school meals)
- 90% of CSTT apprentices come from non-professional families
- 100% of CSTT apprentices demonstrate the need for CSTT support to access the surveying profession

We hope you will agree that we have a track record to be proud of and one that we very much wish to build on in our work with the Company. The Trust team, myself and our Trustees, many of whom are also Liverymen, very much look forward to working with the Chartered Surveyors Company to further expand our work and thank you all very much indeed for your support, your enthusiasm and your passion to offer life changing opportunities for very deserving young people.

Christina Hurst FRICS, CEO, CSTT

NEWS FROM OUR MILITARY AFFILIATES

The Company is incredibly proud of its affiliated units, and this year has been another where we have been able to further enhance these connections.

Last November, the Master attended Remembrance Sunday with 135 Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers Territorial Army Survey Unit at Ewell, and afterwards presented the Annual Endeavour Award to Sgt Neil Watkins, for many years of service to the Territorial Army, most recently as (among other roles) the Physical Training Instructor with 135 Squadron.

During the year the Company has been invited to a number of Squadron Dinners at Ewell, including the forthcoming 'Dining Out' of the Officer Commanding, Major Michael James, after 3 years in post. His replacement is a Regular Army Officer, the first time that the Squadron has been Commanded by a Regular Officer, which is a reflection of the importance of the work the Squadron does, not just in Operational Theatres, but also in the work they have done in supporting the Olympics.

HMS Echo, a Royal Navy Survey Ship arrived back in Plymouth in Mid August 2012, after 20 months at sea. During that time, she has sailed 74,000 miles (the equivalent of twice around the Equator!), and represented the UK in 11 countries. She has been undertaking Surveys of a number of the key shipping lanes around the world, but judging from their regular newsletters, they managed to make time for an awful lot of football to be played with local community teams in each port they visited. The highlight of the deployment was a stay in Haifa, although Echo can also take the credit in being the first Royal Navy vessel to visit Libya, since the fall of the Gaddafi regime. We look forward to seeing more of Echo and her crew whilst they are in the UK.

Members of the Company's Royal Airforce Affiliate, 7010 Photographic Interpretation Squadron RAuxAF were heavily involved in supporting the NATO operation in Libya until late last year. Their role, in analysing and interpreting photographic evidence was invaluable in planning the No Fly Zone strategy, and several of the Squadron volunteered to deploy to NATO Headquarters in Italy, whilst others remained in the UK, supporting when their Civilian careers permitted. Their role continues, in support of the Olympics, and in monitoring photographs from other flashpoints around the world.

The Company was delighted to have two occasions this year to be able to reciprocate the hospitality shown by all units. The Commanding Officers or their Representatives attended the Spring Livery Dinner at Vintners Hall, when the Master was able to thank them for the work they continue to do. Finally the Master and Court were delighted that Representatives of all three units were able to join them at the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Lunch at Westminster Hall, during Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee celebration weekend.

Assistant Mark Larrard



THE COMPANY'S TOWER RUNNING EVENT

On an unseasonably mild February evening, an amazing fund-raising event came to fruition at the newly completed Heron Tower in Bishopsgate, one of the City's tallest buildings.

Devised by Court Assistant David Mann and organised in partnership with LandAid, the property industry charity, the event was held to support two causes: our own Bursary Scheme which helps students from our four "adopted" schools, and LandAid which does such excellent work with the young and disadvantaged in the UK.

The evening was billed as the "Property Peak Challenge" and saw some 300 surveyors, architects, developers, lawyers and property bankers racing to scale the heights of the 230m tall building.

Those taking part included many of our Liverymen including our Master. A variety of running costumes was adopted and since she has "gone public" about this on our website, I feel safe in quoting the Master's own remark that she was dubbed "Barbie" in recognition of her pink track suit! Whilst some wore more conventional running singlets and shorts, several more dashing outfits were to be seen. Of especial note was Liveryman Simon Camamile who took part in the climb sporting an immaculate double breasted suit, highly polished brogues, a Jermyn Street shirt with cufflinks and a stylish Livery tie!

The spectacle was observed by many passers-by as the "runners" could be observed ascending the glass stairwell from the street level below. At the top of the climb, on the 36th floor, the runners were awarded their medals by an enthusiastic team of volunteer Liverymen and other supporters. Thanks to the generosity of Heron International, both runners and supporters enjoyed a post-event party with some well earned sustenance and the opportunity to take in the spectacular views in all directions across the City.

As to the results, Sean Paynter from Chase & Partners' team clinched the "fastest male" prize by completing the climb in a jaw-dropping 4m:46s. Robert Skioldebrand of the Montagu Evans team was the fastest male veteran at 5:40 and Rachael Beaumont from Russell Cooke LLP claimed fastest female at 6:20. The prize for the fastest team went to a four man team, from one of the event's principal sponsors, CBRE, achieving a combined time of 21:09.

My own ascent took place at a rather stately pace. My other half had issued some technical advice ahead of the event on the lines of "I suggest you finish the climb still breathing rather than drop dead en route". Despite my inhibited "climb rate", I was both surprised and pleased to learn that whilst in age I was ranked towards the most senior end of the "veterans" category, I was definitely not the slowest competitor!

As the Master has said elsewhere, there could have been "no happier sight" than the bottle of water and the smiling faces of Simon Kolesar, Liz Edwards, Chris Thwaites and David Tuffin greeting the competitors as we finally emerged through the double doors from the staircase onto the 36th floor at the Heron Tower. The reception committee also included Liveryman Mike Slade who is President of LandAid and who was Master of Ceremonies for the prize-giving.

The Tower Run was undoubtedly a memorable evening for all those who took part. Moreover, by working in partnership, WCCS and LandAid were able to raise more than £85,000 for our two charities - a wonderful result. Our special thanks are due to sponsors CBRE, the Estates Gazette and Heron International as well as all of the competitors, their sponsoring firms and of course the many organisers and volunteers who helped to create such a successful and enjoyable outcome.

Laurence Johnstone, Past Master



Tower Running medals

LIVERY SAILING DAY

It would be quite hard to think of a worse day to go sailing: high winds, low temperatures, heavy rain and visibility so bad that when our boats ventured outside Portsmouth Harbour into a rough Solent, the Forts in the middle were scarcely visible, let alone the Isle of Wight.

Never mind – come hell or high water, Court Assistant John Woodman was determined to go ahead with what has become an annual event in the yachting calendar. For this year's hotly contested race between Master Mickola Wilson's crew and that of Past Master Laurence Johnstone, John had arranged for the Company to charter two Sunsail F40s which are designed for serious racing. Streamlined accordingly, they could hardly be described as luxurious but are nevertheless exciting to sail!

I was assigned to Laurence's crew. The ex-warrant officer-type who skippered our boat frequently and somewhat aggressively asked 'did you enjoy that?' The response was muted at times but of course the Master and 21 Liverymen on the Company's Sailing Day rallied and rose to the occasion. We retreated from the Solent back to the relative shelter of Portsmouth Harbour and had three spirited races



Above. The spectacular view awaiting the Tower Runners



Above. A relieved TFT team with their medals, at the top of Heron Tower

Below. The Master, Mickola Wilson, and Past Master, Laurence Johnstone, both completed the challenge



between the boats and around buoys and some old Royal Naval ships, one appropriately called HMS Manchester. 'It always rains on Manchester' observed one Liveryman dryly (well not at all dryly really because everybody by now was feeling a little damp in spite of their waterproofs).

After some practise and a close first race, we adjourned for an hour or so to find a well earned and welcome drink and lunch in the bar in the Old Lightship at Gosport. We then renewed the battle and in the second race honours were even between the two boats.

The third race 'decider' went on to live up to expectations. The lead changed several times and eventually the boats crossed the line within a length of each other with, tactfully, the Master's boat taking the honours.

Back in the shelter of the Sunsail headquarters for a warming cup of tea, some drying out and presentation of the WCCS Sailing Cup, it was agreed that the races had been great fun and the boats were good. Many thanks to John Woodman and his helpers for organising a great day and let's hope for better weather next year.

Liveryman Robert Stiles

COURT & LIVERY LUNCHEON

This year's Court and Livery Luncheon was held in the wonderfully intimate surroundings of Waterman's Hall on the 5th July.

The level of noise in the room was testament to the excellent atmosphere and clearly indicated that one and all were there to enjoy themselves. The Company silver looked particularly splendid on display in this setting.

We were introduced to, as it is, one of the most ancient of Halls by the Queen's Barge master who, in this case, still works on the Thames and who regaled us with the history of the building and with his recent involvement with the Queen's River Pageant.

The current Hall is, of course, particularly close to the Master's heart as this was one of the areas in the City of London with which she was involved when she was employed by GRE. Indeed, we were reminded of stories about certain property launches involving Pans People and Rod Stewart. Clearly these property launches happened in better times.

The guest speaker on this occasion was Mr Giles Barrie the Editor in Chief of Property Week. Whether those on the top table were more cautious with their conversation as a result of having the press present we do not know. Mr Barrie admitted to being a dreadful cynic but in an excellent address he provided those in attendance with his ten reasons to be cheerful. He praised surveyors for their professionalism and willingness to fight (for example, in relation to the West End parking issue)

and also was pleased to note that there had not been any major property failures unlike in previous recessions and that London continued at least in part to be a booming market attracting money from the outside world. Somewhat surprisingly he was in praise of recent developments like the Shard and the London transport system and was very much looking forward to the Olympics. On the negative side he did think that it was going to be hard for the next four or five years but, I suspect, we all believe that to be the case.

It is dinners like this, with speakers of this quality, in this kind of environment and with this type of company which makes being a Liveryman worthwhile.

Assistant Roger Watts

PERCUSSION COMPETITION

A select few Liverymen and their guests had the pleasure of attending the Solo Percussion Competition at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama on the evening of 23 May. For the past 20 years the Company has sponsored (with a prize worth £1000) a music competition at the Guildhall School which has ranged from String Quartets and Jazz to Singing and this year, Percussion.

Percussion covers a huge range of instruments and modern percussion is a far cry from the traditional.

Three highly talented students treated us to music played on Marimba, Vibraphone and drums and one, George Barton, who was judged by Colin Currie the adjudicator, to be the winner, used his own body and vocal cords together with visual theatre to perform a work called 'Corporel' composed by Vinko Globokar.

This extraordinary piece left some of us wondering if George had crossed a boundary from percussion to vocals but we were given to understand that the piece is well known in the percussion repertoire.

It certainly provoked a reaction from everyone present as he writhed on the ground, for all the world like something emerging from a chrysalis. It must be added that George also proved himself to be a virtuoso on the Vibraphone and Drums. The People's Vote this year went to Felicity Hindle for her masterful playing of the Marimba and Drums.

After all the excitement of the performance, we went to a small Italian restaurant called Baracca in White Cross street to discuss what we had heard and enjoy a traditional Italian supper.

Amanda Jackson, Clerk to the Chartered Surveyors' Company

REPORT FROM YOUR LIVERYMAN ON THE STARTING BLOCK

I was so excited when I received confirmation that my ticket application for the Olympics was accepted, albeit not the Men's 100m final, but the Livery's Olympic Park Tour.

A warm and sunny November day graced the selected 25 whilst queuing for our chariot to take us through the Park, guided by a very knowledgeable Lend Lease marketing executive – well they should know all about the site as they built the Olympic Village.

First impressions: the scale of the Olympic Park is enormous, covering two and a half square kilometres – that's the same size as Hyde Park! It is remarkable how it has all come together so quickly, also, considering the economic climate, it has provided much needed employment for over 12,000 construction workers. The structures themselves were externally complete and easily recognisable from the extensive media coverage. In reality they looked fantastic... from the stadium itself and the curving shape of the Velodrome, with its brown wooden-clad sides and a pale-coloured, concave roof (a bit like a Pringle), through to the support services buildings, such as the colossal media centre, aptly named International Broadcast Centre, which will act as a 24-hour hub and cater for over 20,000 broadcasters, photographers and print journalists. Their search for a post occupant tenant still continues.

During the Games, the village will be home to 23,000 Olympians, Paralympians, and officials. Following the Games it will turn into a fantastic small village of apartments by 2014 – it will take 18 months to turn the Olympic Park venue into its legacy layout. Conveniently located right next to the recently opened Westfield Stratford shopping centre and new Eurostar terminal, it will be an ideal



location for those seeking retail therapy.

Our post Olympic Park Tour refreshments were arranged by the Master in one of Westfield's many eateries – most welcome and enjoyable. Let's hope the sun also shines in the summer for the actual Games when it opens on 27th July 2012; if not and it's a wash out, you can always go shopping!

Liveryman David Reynolds

COMPANY FISHING DAY 2012

For those of us frustrated by unfishable rivers due to the wettest April on record, the prospect of a day's fly-fishing on a lake looked good. So it was with some anticipation that 18 liverymen and their guests met at Chew Lake in the Mendip Hills south of Bristol on 11 May. However, even though the rain had stopped, the unseasonably cold and breezy weather for May made fishing very difficult. Indeed, so adverse were the conditions on the previous day that boat fishing was cancelled.

Despite the experience and efforts of local guides most boats returned for only a notional weigh-in. Best story of the 'one that got away' (regrettably no prize yet for this category) was from Peter Dove. He played an (allegedly) large fish for 10 minutes before losing it at the net. Coincidentally, his boat partner Past Master Michael Baker once again won the coveted Baker Trophy with a 3lb 12oz rainbow trout.

Also, once again, the prize to the best guest went to Past Master Hugh Stebbing's boat partner Geoff Moore with his splendid 4lb 8oz rainbow trout. Notwithstanding some disappointment, as always, this was a very sociable occasion. That feature will be pursued at our 10th anniversary dinner on 6 November at the Flyfishers Club. Our next outing at Chew Lake will be on Friday 17 May 2013. Tight lines!

Liveryman David Marsh



Above. The Guys suffer the 'fall out' from The Livery Tower Running event.

Below. The Girls take it all in their stride and celebrate in style after completing the climb to the top of the 210m Heron Tower.



Above. The surreal Basket ball stadium rises above the lush green landscape of the Olympic Park.

Below. The iconic architecture of the Olympic Arena and Anish Kapoor's sculptural tower.



THE COURT AND COMMITTEES 2012-2013

THE COURT

Master - Roger J Southam
 Senior Warden - Elizabeth F Edwards
 Junior Warden - Graham F Chase
 David J W Larkin (Past Master)
 Simon H Kolesar (Past Master)
 Laurence G S Johnstone (Past Master)
 Robert J Bould (Past Master)
 Mickola R Wilson (Past Master)
 David F Barratt
 Alderman Sir Michael Bear
 James R Bryer
 Simon A Camamile
 Daniel R E Carter
 Richard Carter
 Lady Davies
 A Digby Flower
 William A Hill
 Tony Joyce
 Mark F W Larard
 David C E Mann
 Ken W Morgan
 Duncan B E Moss
 Duncan J Preston
 Rachel E Puzey
 Janie Strange
 David W Tuffin
 Roger N Watts
 Simon J Waugh
 John G S Woodman

Finance and General Purposes Committee

Elizabeth F Edwards (Chairman)
 William A Hill (Vice Chairman)
 Roger J Southam (Master)
 Graham F Chase (Junior Warden)
 Mickola R Wilson (Immediate Past Master)
 John G S Woodman
 David W Tuffin

Elections Committee

David W Tuffin (Chairman)
 Roger J Southam (Master)
 Elizabeth F Edwards (Senior Warden)
 Graham F Chase (Junior Warden)
 Mickola R Wilson (Immediate Past Master)
 David F Barratt
 Duncan W Preston
 Lady Davies
 Elizabeth Peace

New Members :

Ben Ridgwell, Brett Robinson, Karl Meade, Ralph Charlwood, Peter McCrea, Tom Boggis, James Carter, Steve Smith, Tim Taylor, Christopher Thwaites, William Siegle, James Mead, Hugh Stallard, Simon Wooller, Ian Malden and Giles Godbold.

Deaths: Past Master Peter Grafton, CBE. Liveryman John Parry and Leonard Eppel, CBE.

Charitable Board

Ken W Morgan (Chairman)
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 Roger J Southam (Master)
 Elizabeth F Edwards (Senior Warden)
 Graham F Chase (Junior Warden)
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 Julian Smith
 Lady Davies
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 Simon J Waugh
 Helen Smith
 Tony Joyce

Freeman Group

Tony Joyce (Chairman)
 Brian Lamden (Past Master)
 Ken W Morgan
 Mark F W Larard

Royal Charter

David F Barratt (Chairman)
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Most information about the Company, its activities and members of the Livery and The Masters blog can be found on the website at - www.surveyorslivery.co.uk

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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 Elizabeth F Edwards (Senior Warden)
 D A G Reynolds
 Christina R Young
 John R Fenner
 Elizabeth de Burgh Sidley
 Richard M Blake

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 Colin Peacock

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 David W Tuffin
 David F Barratt
 Peter A Dove
 Ralph R Charlwood

From the Master Elect

'Any organisation is only as strong as its members'



Roger Southam, Master Elect.

Events for 2012/13

Some dates for your diary

Monday 15th October 2012
Installation Dinner

Saturday 10th November 2012
Lord Mayor's Show

Thursday 13th December 2012
Carol Service

Tuesday 15th January 2013
Livery Clay Pigeon Shoot

Monday 28th January 2013
Court & Livery Dinner

Thursday 14th February 2013
Valentine's Concert

Monday 4th March 2013
Swimathon

Thursday 14th March 2013
Ladies Event

Tuesday 9th April 2013
Visit to Tower of London
& Ceremony of the Keys

Monday 22nd April 2013
Spring Livery Dinner

Friday 17th May 2013
Company Fishing day

Friday 17th/Sunday 19th May 2013
Inter-services Challenge

Wednesday 12th June 2013
Company Golf Competition

Friday 5th July 2013
Court & Livery Luncheon

Tuesday 15th October 2013
Installation Dinner

More detailed information about the Company and its programme of activities throughout the year, and the Master's blog can be found on the Livery website at -
www.surveylivery.co.uk

I am delighted to be elected as your 2012-2013 Master. If in October 2013 I can look back and say I met as many of you as possible; you attended and were involved in all activities and functions that you wanted; and we are in a better financial and social place, then I know it will have been a successful year.

To me these are the measures that show we are a Livery of fellowship and inclusion and growing from strength to strength.

You may be aware of our business plan and the main pillars that support and guide us but to summarise, our Livery's mission is to support the City, Community and Charities, and foster the spirit of Fellowship.

City - we support the Lord Mayor, Sherriff elections, Lord Mayors Show and inter-Livery events. If you have not attended any of these then you are missing a treat; history played out with a modern twist.

Community - we support the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, Ironbridge, and many other educational organisations. I thoroughly recommended investigating how you can get involved in supporting these tremendously worthwhile organisations.

Charity - we support a variety of charities from fundraising and participation to the assistance we give to the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust (CSTT), schools and bursaries. Again, if any of these are alien to you then please look into our support for them via our website and become involved.

Finally, **Fellowship** - it is the main element of our organisation. Throughout my years of involvement with the Livery, I have made many good friends and had direct, positive benefits from its association. There is nothing as basic to the human spirit as the glow of warmth from colleagues' friendship and appreciation.

Any organisation is made up of those that do and those that are happy going along. Over my 50-year life experience the adage "the more you put in the more you get out" always holds true. As I ascended the ranks of the Livery I encountered some amazing activities and events that were truly unique and wonderful, each in their own way.

During the 2012-2013 year we will seek to involve as many of you as possible. The dinners and lunches give an opportunity to entertain clients, colleagues and friends at a formal function with Loving Cup that they may never get the opportunity to see as well as inter-Livery activities and sporting events. The hard work of those before me has ensured our Company is the envy

of many other Liveries. This is evidenced with the range of activities, range of charitable giving and support to schools and educational activities.

I would urge you to make use of the Company's website and keep up to speed on what is going on and when. It is your Livery company and there is little point us arranging things if they do not appeal to you. So I challenge you all to play your part and get as much as you can out of the organisation.

The foundation of the Business Plan is our four pillars outlined above but we are also committed to building on our relationship with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

I am delighted to announce that for the first time our Livery and the RICS will join together for the Remembrance Service at St Margaret's Church in Westminster this year. The RICS has run a remembrance service for many years and it was always a moving highlight when I was active in the RICS JO. I urge the Livery to make its presence felt at the inaugural, joint service.

In addition, I had the pleasure of being at Alan Collets' RICS Presidential Reception in Great George Street and from his address rang great resonance. Any organisation is only as strong as its members and its purpose is to meet members' needs. The beauty of the Livery Companies is the structure set down over the millennium of their existence. It is all about what we can achieve and deliver.

It may interest you to know that Alan and the next two Presidents are all Liverymen with our Company. I wish Alan every success over his year and I'm sure he will leave the RICS in stronger heart by next July.

As we head towards the next Livery year I am looking forward to leading you and working with my elected Wardens, Elizabeth Edwards and Graham Chase. Together with our Court of Assistants we are looking forward to seeing you and serving you.

Please play your part and help us keep the life and vitality in the Surveyors Livery Company.

With best wishes to you all.

Master Elect Roger J Southam